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EVERYBODY HAPPY BUSINESS GOOD AT CLEWISTON

Chatty News Letter From City on South Shore of Lake Okeechobee

SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Site Selected For New School House; Holiday Merriment Gets Under Way

Starting out this morning to write a little story about the latest happenings in Clewiston presents a problem as to which of two things should come first.

The two things are (a) the party Monsieur and Madame Watanabe gave Friday night, December 10 at the Clewiston Inn, and (b) the actual start of construction this week of the new Clewiston Inn.

You know there is something about the Watanabes. We like them. No, it would be only correct to say that we love them. They are a part of our history already and the history gives us many reasons to be strong for them.

But history is secure, in spite of the statement some of you wise men once made to the effect that "history is a conspiracy of liars." Hence since we can talk about the party farther along we will start with some news about the school, because the school means something big for the immediate future.

On Saturday evening representatives of the school contractor arrived as Clewiston and conferred with Clewiston officials, establishing the exact spot on the school lot for the building. Subsequently material and men arrived and ground was broken several days later. The school, to be of brick two stories high, will have four classrooms and a large auditorium when completed. The contractor is Howard L. Wheeler of Fort Myers and James L. Gatling is the architect.

This is a bright spot in new building construction in Clewiston and it is anticipated another interest in the school will be shown in the construction of a large public garage and repair shop at Francisco street and the state highway. Designs have been completed also and work is to start in a few weeks on a block of stores and offices at Atlantic Street and the state highway, facing the Civic Center Square on which the huge 50,000 gallon water tank is located.

Besides these ten new dwellings are at present under construction. Relocation of the Atlantic Coast Railway tracks within Clewiston towns to begin will be the next move to conform to the townsite plan drafted by John Nolen who will also call for erection of the railway station at an early date.

\$6 much for the record of building progress occurring and to occur.

Now let's talk about Madame's Christmas party. There were over 200 guests, including some of her old acquaintances from South Bay and other points on the southern shore of Lake Okeechobee, with a sprinkling also of guests from Moore Haven and even as far as Lakeland.

Madame hit the same notes from Poet-Masters that had given us such a jingly-dandy time of it Thanksgiving night. The strain of very well played jazz, with American folks dancing the ultra-modern American dances contrasted with age-old decorations drawn from Madame Watanabe's native Japan.

The Clewiston Inn dining room was turned into a beautiful room by those

Belle Glade

BELLE GLADE, Dec. 14.—W. W. Smith and Roy Sanborn returned last week from Hubbardston, Mich., where they spent the summer. Mr. Smith tells of a neighbor who spent last winter in Florida, giving it a very black eye but as cool weather approached he experienced a change of heart and hied himself back to the state of sunshiny Michigan.

L. Patterson returned Saturday night from Miami, where he spent the week.

We have repeatedly heard that clover will not grow in Florida, which is another of the theories we have dispensed. For several years we have had growing quite a bit of it—seed, white and yellow alike. After having stood water for over three months, it is again coming up thriflly.

Mrs. E. F. Hess left Monday for Chicago, where she will attend to business matters and spend Christmas with her mother and daughter.

Several officials of West Palm Beach and the postal route inspector were here this week looking into the conditions of which were based our petition to have our mail come by West Palm Beach instead of Clewiston.

They were impressed with our need of the change and certain it will be so arranged.

Reverend Thomas drove to Miami Tuesday on church business.

From the standpoint of the citizens this is perhaps not good news, since it means that light and water can no longer be furnished free, for because of a depleted treasury the city will be obliged to charge a customary rate for service, the meters will be checked up and read Saturday.

However, there is a silver lining to this cloud for the city commission will from now on run the plant for the direct purpose of giving its customers the best possible water and electrical power at water rates.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Boydston and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Coe of Belle Glade were here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Parvin of Rita's guest at Belle Glade Hotel on Saturday.

Mrs. J. T. Pickett, Sr. of San Antonio, Texas, is a holiday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pickett, Jr.

MORE COWS WHEN TICKS ARE GONE

Eradication Work Finished In Thirteen Counties But First er Action Wanted

TALLAHASSEE, Dec. 10.—Thirteen of the 20 counties of Florida are now tick-free. Systematic work is progressing in that section between the Choctawhatchee and Perdido rivers, and eradication will be begun early in 1927 between the Oklawaha and Suwanee rivers, according to a review of the operations of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board announced by Dr. J. V. Knapp, state veterinarian.

Monroe, Dade, Broward, Palm Beach and Martin counties on the east coast and Gadsden, Liberty, Franklin, Washington, Calhoun, Bay, Gulf, Jackson and the eastern half of Holmes are free at the present time.

After the Oklawaha-Suwanee area is finished, the board will turn its attention to that area lying between the Suwanee River and Atlantic ocean. Many inquiries as to when work will be started in that section have already reached the board.

The necessity for sprucing up the tick eradication program is reflected in inquiries from out-of-state dairymen, to Florida organizations and state officials.

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CITIZENS AGAIN CONTROL AFFAIRS AT MOORE HAVEN

State Drainage Board Returns Water-Electric Plant To Municipality

POLICES OF RED CROSS SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT

Assistant Drainage Engineer Flanders Makes Report To Tallahassee

From Glades County Democratic. Several things of importance mark this week's activities in Moore Haven. Perhaps the most significant of these is the fact that the drainage board turns the land over to the plant back to the City of Moore Haven tomorrow (Saturday).

The meaning of this is that in the opinion of the board the townsite of Moore Haven has been put back into liveable shape by the board and that the Newhall pump is no longer necessary to keep the water level at a proper condition of lowness to serve the best interests of the people.

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Engineer Lemareoux informs us that the State Board of Health considers their work about complete and that their activities in this area will cease with Sunday. This is to take place on the head of the drainage board.

There are still many things which we had hoped the board would do before considering their job at an end.

On Saturday, there will be condemnation proceedings before Justice of the Peace W. B. Harris, when these buildings, etc., will be appraised of the value which will sit on the health and welfare will be condemned and ordered torn down and moved away.

The building of permanent bridges on the road to Main's corner has kept that road in an unfavorable condition, much to the dissatisfaction of the public. There will probably be more of this, since the road will be under actual construction now for a while. Engineer Gove tells us that he has everything in readiness and will put all local trucks which are available to haul the surfacing from the county rock pit Monday morning.

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South Bay

"Every day in every way South Bay is growing better and better." At least the beans are doing all they can to improve conditions.

Between three and four car loads of beans are being shipped daily over the boat line via Clewiston, C. D. Byrd handling the majority of these.

V. C. Denton has just received a load of equipment of fall and winter pods.

B. H. Willits made a trip to Sebring last week.

Messrs. T. M. Graham and Barnes are farming about one hundred acres this season.

Mr. Harris is handling a twenty-acre tract.

Friedheim and Crocker are getting a fine line of holiday goods.

The Franz Lumber Company finds sale for one thousand bean hampers daily. They are also receiving and placing quite an amount of lumber.

A car load—twenty tons—of sulphur is due to arrive any day here. Leaf roller and other insect pests are noticed.

Reverend Thomas drove to Miami Tuesday on church business.

We had a good service at the church on Sunday afternoon.

The medical workers, Miss Kimer and Miss Constance Rubin were here Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Elizabeth Howorth, Mrs. Elizabeth Howorth, Mrs. T. J. Fisher, with her infant daughter, born Dec. 2, was brought home this week.

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Commissioners Change Ocean Boulevard

From Palm Beach Post

Relocation of a small and a half of the ocean boulevard at Boynton was provided in a resolution adopted by the county commission at its meeting yesterday. The relocation was requested by the town commission of Boynton, which is about one-half mile from the ocean boulevard extends from the vicinity of the Briny Breezes subdivision to the north end of the Mizner mile, the relocation being in territory west of the existing boulevard with approximately 200 feet separating them at the most distant point.

In the resolution, it was pointed out that a large portion of the new route will be paved and paved and that all of the property owners affected have executed right-of-way deeds to the town of Boynton.

The resolution was adopted with the understanding that the new road would be completed without the expense of the county and that the work would be done on the uncompleted portion that the section of the present boulevard corresponding with that portion would remain open to traffic.

Provision was included in the resolution that the town of Boynton convey the new right-of-way to the county and the county in turn convey the old portion of the boulevard to the town of Boynton.

Joseph E. Bell, chairman of the commission, protested against the resolution. His vote and that of C. W. Bell were listed against its adoption.

The commission voted to leave Jacksonville early next month for a one month tour of various sections of the United States given when the commission authorized an appropriation of \$12,500 for such representation.

The road to Clewiston has been open for a week and though not in good condition has served for light traffic.

The most noticeable thing of the trip to Clewiston is the difference in dairy and beef cattle raising.

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RAILROAD TO PUT LOADING STATION NEAR BELLE GLADE

Vice President Rodenbaugh Authorizes Siding At Highway Crossing

GROWERS CAN HAUL TO REFRIGERATOR CARS

County Road Department and Contractors Hurry To Make Connection

Authority for the establishment of a loading station on the line of sections 8 and 17, where Florida East Coast railroad meets the Belle Glade-Pahokee road was granted by the county commissioners through Vice President H. N. Rodenbaugh of the railway company, T. L. Beckwith, the vegetable agent, reported yesterday. Mr. Beckwith was here to see Construction Engineer Lucas and convey Mr. Rodenbaugh's message to him.

The construction will be started by January 15, Mr. Beckwith said. The location is a little more than four miles north of Belle Glade, a distance that many of the growers say is practical to cover in trucks. T. Holloway, road contractor, has promised that the road will be graded and put in condition for that purpose.

Resident Engineer Peter, looking after highways in this district, says all of the needed bridges will be in. Another loading station may be set up on the line of sections 32 and 8.

Refrigerator cars will be set out at the loading station near Belle Glade so shippers can get the usual service.

BACK TO MOORE HAVEN

The dredge Caloosahatchee has finished at Clewiston and is working near Moore Haven.

FARMING AT RITTA

The outfit boat has made several trips carrying supplies to Ritta, where farming has been resumed.

Advise Federal Aid For East Coast Canal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Army engineers recommended today to congress that \$422,000 be spent in developing an inlet to the new route between Jacksonville and Miami.

In a report sent to the house Major General Jadwin, chief of the engineering corps, said it was advisable to provide a channel 75 feet wide and eight feet deep. He said \$125,000 annually should be provided for maintenance.

A study of the "necessity for additional transportation along this route has been made by the Associated East Coast Chambers of Commerce," the report said, adding that "on the basis of their investigation, they conclude that if an adequate channel is provided, it will accommodate 1,500,000 tons of freight would move an average of 1,670,000 tons a year."

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"By the time the waterway is completed, which would not be in less than five years, he believes that the shipments by water would be considerably greater and that the estimated annual saving would amount to \$760,000."

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VOTE ROAD BONDS IN OKEECHOBEE

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\$52,500 To Carry Road

Southward From Osceola County Line

OKEECHOBEE, Dec. 14.—Incomplete returns tonight indicate that Okeechobee county freeholders today approved a \$52,500 bond issue for the construction in this county of State Road No. 29, Ft. Myers to Okeechobee.

Three of the six precincts gave for the issue 18,838. The vote of the missing precincts is said to be negligible.

Funds for the building of this highway had previously been apportioned to the other counties through which it is to pass.

The road is to run through Moore Haven, Okeechobee, St. Cloud and Kissimmee.

Its construction will, together with highways now completed or under construction, insure a good roadway around Lake Okeechobee.

The loading station will be ready by January 15, Mr. Beckwith said. The location is a little more than four miles north of Belle Glade and is about one-half mile from the Hamburger Company of Clewiston.

Mr. Beckwith has been a member of the club since it was organized in 1919.

And yet there may have been some difficulty in getting madmen. He evidently was the first to seek a drink when overtaken by the gunman, and now Mons. Francois, who is preparing the luncheon for the Lions, says he will fortify that venison with a dash of good, old Spanish sherry wine.

Francois, who has often cooked for royalty and other distinguished folk.

"I'm going to prepare a typical Florida menu for the Lions," he said yesterday. "We'll be beside the deer there will be filets Okeechobee striped trout—wild chicken, Chinese cabbage, sweet potatoes, Florida cranberries, beans in cream, endives, cakes, coffee and a few other things."

"The fish, while cooking, will be dressed with a dash of wine in turtle soup. Francois will give his personal attention to the cooking of the deer for the Lions' table."

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BEAN MOVEMENT IN FULL SWING FROM SOUTH END OF LAKE

Dike and Pump System Helps

Growers in Belle Glade,

South Bay District

22 CARS SHIPPED SINCE OPENING OF SEASON

English Peas To Start Next Month and Increase Volume of Movement

Including some hampers from Kramer Island, a total of 350 hampers of beans have been loaded by express from Canal Point so far this season. Also two carloads of beans were forwarded from Kramer Island. Spooner & Wilder will ship tomatoes next week from their patch on St Lucie Canal between Port Mayaca and Indiantown. Some express shipments of beans have already been made from that locality, where the Hull Brothers are farming.

Seedsmen report sales of tomato and pepper seed as well as bean seed, and the acreage of both will be larger this season than usual. Not to exceed 100 acres of potatoes is arranged for so far.

Twenty-two full car loads of beans had been shipped from the Belle Glade-South Bay district up to tonight, consigned to the Hamburger Company of New York. Shipments were made under refrigeration from Clewiston, the tonnage having been moved across the lake by the South Bay transportation Company. Two more cars were ordered for loading tomorrow (Saturday, December 16). The big movement will not be under way until after New Year's. There has also been an express movement from Clewiston.

C. D. Byrd, the general representative of the Hamburger Company, said the 22 cars had a top price of \$2,75 and Black Valentines and Refugees at \$2.

Fred J. Taylor, local representative of the Hamburger Company, estimates that the 22 cars forwarded since the opening of the fall season November 22 were loaded by not more than 200 persons. Total shipments have been upward of 100,000 hampers and have sold for a gross \$35,000.

Practically all the shipments have been by farmers whose land is in the "triangle" served by a dike and pump system. S. H. Fisher is the largest single grower. He had a car out of this patch with 400 bushels of Belle Glade beans. That will be the first of the movement from Belle Glade in late lots.

The present movement from the south end of the lake is wholly of beans. The acreage of English peas is large and the picking will start next month.

MALLARD-WEATHERS

The engagement of Miss Gladys Weather of Sheldon, Ga., Earl McAllister of Royal Palm was announced last week in the Atlanta Journal. Miss Weather is a teacher in the local school and Mr. McAllister is an employee of the Standard Oil Co. The wedding is to take place Saturday evening.

DRAIGINE MOVED

The dredge has been moved from Pahokee to Royal Palm to pull it closer to the rock wall to be used from Hillsboro canal. West Palm Beach canal is too low for barges to get material from 20-mile bend.

and Beet Salad, Bombe Tutti, Cakes, Deni Tasse, Mint.

The Lions Club, accompanied by the band, will traverse the Conners Highway, making several stops, and leaving the Wag building on South Olive street at 9 o'clock in the morning.

THE EVERGLADES NEWS

HOWARD SHARP, Publisher.

GOING AHEAD

Needs for new school buildings and other public improvements are being met in South Florida, sales of bond issues showing there is no let-up in growth.

Bringing 102.62, said to be the highest price paid for similar bonds in South Florida during the past year, a \$400,000 block of 6 per cent Lee county school bonds was sold this week by the board of public instruction to C. W. McNeal & Company of Chicago and New York.

The Homestead city council has completed arrangements with J. R. McNeal, of Jacksonville, representative of the bond house of that city, for purchase of a block of \$600,000 of this city's municipal bonds, voted several months ago in amount of \$1,300,000.

Improvement bond issues of \$52,000 and \$55,000 each of the city of Stuart were sold last week, and the sale of W. L. Slattery & Company of Toledo, Ohio, and Orlando, purchased both issues. Their representation was in town to bid on the St. Lucie inlet bonds, and upon learning of the city issue decided to investigate the issue.

CITIZENS AGAIN CONTROL AFFAIRS

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ence between the water levels of the Dinton district and that of the Clewiston development. The latter is in fine shape, but things have not yet made the growth of any farmer glad.

Perhaps the chief topic of conversation on the streets is the injustice of the Red Cross claim that they are ahead of Moore Haven's readiness to use awards since they made a number that have not yet been used. It is almost equally well to true that while this condition exists, people ~~on the award~~ have been made unable to finance that part of necessary work so that they may go ahead with the repairing of their homes.

The Democrat feels as though the flood didn't get all the rain. The rain, he claims, came in force business was carried from before eight in the morning until the lights went out at ten at night every day.

The picture show still continues with two showing a week, Friday and Saturday nights, from week to week. There is a number of shows, however, less than before the flood the quality of the programs have been maintained.

Brother Jones, the Methodist pastor, seems quite at home now holding regular services in the Presbyterian church as do the Baptist Methodists, who form the congregation with a sprinkling of Presbyterians and those of other faiths.

Marshal Howell today put the old fire engine in first class order, got fine new shipment of hose from the depot and everything in readiness to give the city all possible fire protection. The fire engine is kept in the Gram garage for the present.

The Moore Haven ice plant is back on the job again, having been off for several weeks now and we are all rewarded by being able to procure Moore Haven made ice.

Western Division.—Much needed plowing was done, the weather being generally favorable for outdoor work. Truck, strawberries, and satsumas did well. Oats, rye and other hardy truck improved; gardens are in fair condition; moderate showers are needed on uplands.

Eastern Division.—Fair with generally mild temperatures stimulated the growth of all truck, and enabled farmers to do much needed plowing. Oats were planted in favorable localities, although much out of season.

"Mister, where might you be from?" he said.
He didn't say "whar" but it was almost that. His was not the voice of an Iowan or a Kansan, of whom there are many in Califormia.

I had been thinking of the days of my youth in West Tennessee of the time I was "roller boy" in a country printing office of associations and incidents of that time and place. When the young man asked, "Mister, where might you be from?" I answered, "Tennessee," although I was not born in

Daily Edition of The Everglades News
Planned When Roads and Phones Are In

As soon as a good hard-surfaced road is completed between Canal Point and the towns at the south end of Lake Okeechobee and a dependable telephone service is established, The Everglades News will begin publication of a daily edition to be issued each week-day afternoon. The daily will use a telephone address and will seek to make all of the up-to-date Everglades its field.

Publishation of the weekly edition of The Everglades News will be continued to serve the hundreds of non-resident owners of small farm tracts and others who have interests of various kinds in this region.

The publisher of The Everglades News has carefully considered all of the factors and circumstances and is confident that the venture will be successful as a business enterprise and a means of larger service to the upper Everglades.

The Florida East Coast railroad will have reached Hillsboro county and probably have been extended beyond the limits of highway construction in Hendry county line. When telephone connection is added to the means of contact, the quick assembling of news and the distribution of the newspaper will be practicable.

A canvass shows that a circulation of upward of 1,000 copies a day is possible to a daily edition of The Everglades News. The mechanical equipment of the paper is adequate for daily issues.

Canal Point is 42 miles from West Palm Beach, 34 miles from Okeechobee, 43 miles from Miami, 115 from Miami, 135 from Tampa and 413 from Jacksonville. The morning papers published in those cities reach the upper Everglades late in the day; their evening papers have no circulation here. This leaves a large field open for an Everglades afternoon paper.

Further announcement will be made at a proper time.

IN LIEU OF GOLF

The Editor's Own Column

Memories of Christmases of past years should be pleasant memories, to agree with the spirit of the day, but not all of mine are such; some of my Christmas experiences were as happy as such experiences should be but another was otherwise, and it is the memory of that other Christmas which is still too distinct.

Recollection is diverted, then, by the thought of the circumstances in which the element of surprise was pronounced, as distinguished from the element of pain or pleasure. It is of a Christmas day experience that was a bit singular that I shall write now in this column that is so much given to anecdote and reminiscence.

I was running a newspaper at Kingsburg, California. I don't know why it is the practice of old-time newspaper men to say they "ran" a newspaper instead of saying they operated it. It is a means of distinguishing from the element of ownership, I suppose, often they did not own it. I think the name of the paper was the Tribune; it is that long ago—or the paper was so unimportant or so ephemeral that its name is of no consequence. On that particular Christmas Day my Christmas dinner was eaten at the local hotel, where I was a regular customer, and I sat alone. No doubt there had been invitations to dine in the families of friends; if so they had been declined for the reason that causes all such invitations to be declined. And after dinner, in the lobby of the hotel as much deserved as had been the dining room, with the dining room to the rooms of their families in convivial groups in Fresno, I sat looking out on the street, it was deserted.

At that time I was in the hotel lobby that Christmas Day a young man entered. He glanced around—he peered around; he looked into the vacated dining room and the empty waiting room. He seemed uncertain on speaking to someone, on making an inquiry, and I was the only person present to be addressed.

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GLADES WEATHER

Everglades Experiment Station

Belle Glade, Florida

Temperature, rainfall and evaporation for the week ending Saturday, December 4, 1926.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain.	Evap.
28	76	54	0.00	0.50
29	85	61	0.00	0.95
1	84	63	0.00	0.91
2	80	59	0.00	0.80
3	73	51	0.00	0.80
4	76	52	0.00	0.84

GEO. E. TEDDER, Recorder.

Everglades Experiment Station

Belle Glade, Fla.

Temperature, rainfall and evaporation for the period ending the week of December 11, 1926.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain.	Evap.
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EPISCOPAL CHURCH NEWS
 The usual services will be held Sunday: Sunday school, 10 a. m.; preaching services at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

The Ladies Aid Society met in the church under President Jessie A. Tamm, district superintendent, on Tuesday afternoon, and held quarterly conference at the church. Monday evening and preached a sermon from the text "Have faith."

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A rehearsal was held with Mrs. Brownham Monday evening and another will be Friday evening of this week and again on next Monday evening at Mrs. Brownham's. For one evening, a success of the choruses at the tree is invited to help with these rehearsals.

The Sunday school will have its Children's program on Friday, December 24 at 4 p. m. at the church. The children are asked to bring their parents with them. A good time is promised to all.

The celebration at the community

tree will be also on Friday but at 7 p. m. The whole town of Canal Point is invited to be present. There will be a speech by a state official, and there will be some singing, too. People, good music and a surprise for everyone. Come and enjoy yourself and bring some one with you.

South Bay-Bell Glade

Sunday school 10 a. m., both churches. Preaching services Smith Bay 11 a. m.; Belle Glade 7:30 p. m.

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Wm. Jesse Thomas, Pastor

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George W. Coleman is a leading attorney of West Palm Beach who drove out from the county seat Sunday. His wife and his grandfather and grandmother accompanied him. They came to see the growing crops and note the progress of road construction.

When H. T. Holloway came to Canal Point Sunday to see that barges of rock got through, his wife accompanied him, bringing the baby. The family now lives at Boynton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pope went to Fort Lauderdale the latter part of last week, going in to consult a physician on the account.

"Oh! how I hate women. Troublesomest vixens cats!" says E. G. Kilpatrick, playing Reginald Peters in "Miss Molley." Don't miss this, the play with laughter. You'll burst with fun, so please get ready with come, so please get ready with come, so please get ready with come.

A. V. Brown was in Canal Point Sunday. This is a real item for old Everglades; for there was scarcely a person in town who had not heard of him. He was known personally to every person in South Florida who had interests of any sort in this region. He still is at Gladeside, but getting on. His health is improving.

Mr. Brown died in Gladeside last miles south of the lake, as a resident there but as a land owner. Several men who are still in the Gladeside area are still in Gladeside, says O. M. Baker, who went to Moore Haven, C. J. Peterson of West Palm Beach, and others of Polk of Polkton.

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THE WORLD'S GREAT EVENTS

ALBERT PAYSON TERHUNE

(By Dodd, Mead & Company)

The Balkan Puzzle

[I]F YOU will look over a map of Europe you will see three great peninsulas jutting into the seas which wash the south shores of the continent. The southernmost and farthest east of the three is known as the Balkans. It comprises Turkey in Europe, Greece, Serbia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, eastern Roumania, Albania, and parts of Yugoslavia. It is roughly triangular in shape, with the Black Sea on the north, the Aegean on the south, and the Mediterranean on the west. It is bounded on the north by the Danube, on the west by the Adriatic, and on the south by the Ionian and Aegean seas. It is roughly triangular in shape, with the Black Sea on the north, the Aegean on the south, and the Mediterranean on the west. It is bounded on the north by the Danube, on the west by the Adriatic, and on the south by the Ionian and Aegean seas.

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Most of the Balkan states are Christians. For this reason they are at constant war with each other, and against the sultan's government.

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6:10 AM. The Florida 11:35 PM.

10:15 AM. Miami Express 4:27 PM.

11:15 AM. Flagler 11:30 PM.

4:00 PM. Dixie Flyer 1:00 PM.

4:25 PM. Royal Palm 1:45 PM.

8:45 PM. Biscayne 8:50 AM.

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Frank Hattaway, Miss Susie Maxwell and Witt Guise took Junior Cason to West Palm Beach Sunday to see his mother who is ill in the hospital there. Mrs. C. L. Wilder and son Edgar are expected home from Bowling Green, where they have been visiting.

James Segler spent the week end with his wife and daughter in Fort Pierce.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poland spent Saturday in West Palm Beach.

Miss Sarah Hansen will return Saturday from Tallahassee where she has been attending college, to spend the holidays with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hansen.

Mrs. S. J. Jones returned home last week from Jacksonville, where she has been visiting her daughter.

A crowd went hunting last week. Among the lucky ones were J. C. Tabb, T. S. Spooner and little Doss Tabb, 11 years old, who killed a deer.

A Christmas program will be given at the Methodist church Christmas Eve. The King's Tribute, a trumpet, and several recitations and songs will be given. The children in the program will be dressed in costumes.

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"I've never been in such a disastrous confusion in all my life," said winsome Miss Hilda Lee, "Pearly White, in 'Miss Molly'." Be sure to see this comedy December 23 at Pahokee Theater.

The Pahokee Woman's Club will hold its regular meeting December 23 at the home of Mrs. C. A. Shive. This will be a social meeting in charge of the music committee of which Mrs. Edna Padgett is chairman.

All members are requested to be there at 8 p.m. promptly. A fine program is being prepared for this meeting.

An expensive doll will be given away Christmas Eve at Mrs. Alice Padgett's store. With every pound of candy you buy, which costs thirty-five cents a pound, you will receive a ticket.

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Dr. E. D. Harris, who has owned land on Kraemer Island for several years, has renamed the position of county veterinarian of Okeechobee county which he resigned last year. He has been living at Fort Pierce since he was recently vacated.

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"The problems of the Everglades are getting nearer to solution each year through experience that is gained and the whole thing is going to be worked out successfully." George W. Brown of West Palm Beach remarked in the course of a call made at the office of The Ever-

glades News the first of the week.

Mr. Brown is a long-time resident of Palm Beach county and for many years has been one of the leading building contractors. About eight years ago he was a member of a firm that operated under the name of Brown & Wilcox, and when the Florida Sugar & Food Products Company was organized to establish a sugar plantation at Canal Point his firm bought stock in it. His

firm also bought the land on West Palm Beach canal known as the Chauncey Groves place, opposite old Comerelle, with the idea of planting the land to sugar cane. The firm of Brown & Wilcox has been dissolved as a building proposition but they retain title to the land. They could have sold the land during the real estate boom but as the prospective buyers were speculators and not developers Brown & Wilcox held on to it. Now Mr. Brown says they are considering what practical use can be made of the land and it was with that in mind that he came out to Canal Point this week.

"B. G. Dahlberg's idea of growing sugar cane chiefly to get material for Celotex, the lumber substitute, or new kind of lumber, and making sugar as a by-product seems to me to be the most practical thing that has been proposed," Mr. Brown said. "I am told that some varieties of sugar cane are more resistant than others to unfavorable growing conditions and that the growth of the resistant varieties is possible on a deal such as Mr. Dahlberg proposes, for even if the sugar content is low, the juice is low, the residuum, or bagasse, is still valuable for Celotex."

Looking across the canal where a dragline machine stood, Mr. Brown was reminded of something else: "Expertise is being developed out of experience—we are learning how to grow sugar cane, how to harvest it and makes it practical to do things that could not well be done a few years ago. I notice how dragline machines are used to load barges with rock at one end of the canal and unload at the other end. This is a new method. When Loxahatchee river was built two years ago the barges were unloaded using negro laborers to move the rock into wheelbarrows with shovels. It is by working out better methods that production costs are lowered and this with the finding of new uses for Everglades products makes it look as if all of the land can be put to producing."

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THE EVERGLADES NEWS, CANAL POINT, FLORIDA

EVERYBODY HAPPY AT MOORE HAVEN

Continued from first page

decorative devices of Madame's—quaint lanterns set over the electric light fixtures; a gnarled tree cunningly trimmed with artificial flowers that looked more realistic than real ones; a trifoli string with wisteria—"In my country they grow so big and beautiful always in March, April and May," says Madame—flowing curtains and maple trees and maples in the corners and flower boxes everywhere here and there strung with electric lights.

It was a scene to remember, especially with Madame and Fred E. Fenn, Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.

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especially printed to read. "We hope your Christmas up north will be nearly as wonderful and happy as ours is down here in the Everglades."

Hoping you are the same,

L. R. W., Jr.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 277 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida

Notice is hereby given that Equitable Sales Corporation, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 1665, dated the 3rd day of November, 1926, for the sum of \$1,000.00, certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, State of Florida, to-wit: NE 1/4 of lot 45, section 28, township 45, in the town of Ant City. The said land being assessed at the date of issuance of certificate in the amount of \$1,000.00. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue to the holder on the 25th day of December, A. D. 1926.

Witness my official signature and seal the 9th day of November, A. D. 1926.

(Seal) Fred E. Fenn,

Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach

County, Florida.

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Notice is hereby given that Equitable Sales Corporation, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 4329, dated the 3rd day of July, A. D. 1927, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: NE 1/4 of lot 8, subdivision section 28, township 45, south

range 43 east, 5 acres. The said land being assessed at the date of issuance of certificate in the amount of \$1,000.00. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue to the holder on the 25th day of December, A. D. 1928.

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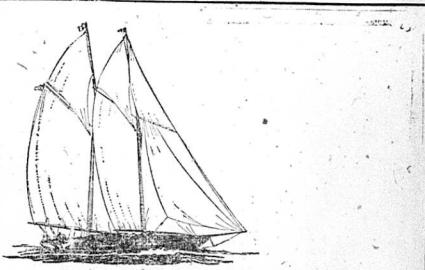
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A GOOD FINANCIER

Sam Sherrard, the county agent of Okeechobee county, went to Miami last week as the representative of the Chamber of Commerce to the state organization's agricultural conference. He stayed two days and on his return, turned in an expense bill of \$100. The Everglades News says: "Elton Miami is the cheapest town in Florida or else Sam is the best financier in Okeechobee."

A ROAD TO STUART

The commissioners of Okeechobee county have called for bids for the construction of a paved road from that city toward Sherman mill, the road eventually to connect with a highway which Martin county is building from Stuart via Indian River to the Okeechobee county line. The commissioners set aside \$25,000 from the Eagle Bay road bond money for the Sherman-Stuart road work.

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THE COUNTY SEAT

Regular meetings of the tourist club have been resumed. At the last meeting one of the speakers was F. B. Collier of Chicago, who told of his visit to the tomb of King Tut in Egypt. The meetings are held in the municipal auditorium.

Members of the Palm Beach County Real Estate Board met Monday at Boca Raton as guests of the development company.

The winter schedules of the Florida East Coast and Seaboard Air Line railroads are now in effect and the special trains are bringing many tourists.

PAYING TAXES WELL

Okeechobee is the only county in Florida with a record of having collected every dollar of taxes in one year (1924) and it is believed the record will be made again in 1927. More than 600 persons already have paid their 1926 taxes in that county. Previously the number paying up to December 1 has been about 300.

CHURCH MEMBERS WIN

J. Denham Bird, who was elected mayor of Okeechobee last week, is a stained glass worker, and Chandler, who were elected to the council, are active workers in the Baptist church. Walker and Latour, the other councilmen, are not members of any church but are moral men.

RATE FOR IRRIGATION

A rate of 10 cents per 1000 gallons has been made by the Okeechobee town council for water used for irrigation by farmers. The taffage fee has been reduced from \$25 to \$15.

1,035 HUNTING LICENSES

From November 20 to December 1, County Judge Durance of Okeechobee issued 1,035 hunting licenses.

SOUTH FLORIDA

A pasture grass demonstration given on the Garrup farm near Fort Pierce was conducted by Alfred Warren county agent. H. S. McLendon, agricultural agent for the F. E. C. railroad and Dr. John Scott and H. L. Brown, feed and dairy specialists from the state university.

Theodore Dehon was re-elected president of the Stuart Chamber of Commerce.

The Lee County grand jury investigating a lynching at LaBelle in Hendry county, did not find who the members of the mob were but it recommended that Sheriff D. L. McLaughlin be removed from office because he failed to prevent the lynching. An additional \$100,000 of the \$2,050,000 bonds issued for the building of the overseas highway from Key West to the Florida mainland have been sold.

THE COUNTY

(West Palm Beach, County Seat)

The Southern Bell Telephone Company's new system at Lake Worth will be cut in December 26. The new building is near completion.

E. T. Statesbury of Philadelphia, who has a winter home in Palm Beach, is a big man in his own town but he was unable to get the Palm Beach town council to change the location of a fire station.

Rev. William E. Biederwolf is continuing a vacation in West Palm Beach. Joe L. Eman says no revivalist has ever conducted a successful campaign in that city.

Palm Beach county got the highest prizes at the Jacksonville state fair for dairy products, vegetables and citrus fruit.

Contract for rebuilding a road from Lake Worth to Military Trail has been let to E. F. Powers Construction Company. This will do away with the improvised crossing over the Seaboard railroad.

The first Seaboard train into Lake Worth is due January 8. The first train into the beach will open January 5. The "tourist season" will really be under way then.

STATE GENERAL

A bird has been presented to the Kissimmee zoo, which is believed to be a Florida endemic. Buildings for which permits were issued in Lake Wales in the past year had a value of \$1,018,917.

Spitzer, Rorick & Company of Toledo, Ohio, bought the \$25,000 bond issue of Volusia county for a road to the Flagler county line.

William E. Evans of Eustis has been appointed county agent for Indian River county. The salary is \$3,600.

The funeral of Charles Ringling, the circus man, was held December 6 at Sarasota, where he lived for several years.

OKEECHOBEE

(From The News.) Rev. E. M. C. Dunklin attended the local Baptist convention at Lakeland.

The Lake Wales Glee Club gave an entertainment at the high school auditorium.

Several Okeechobee men are employed in Osceola county on state road No. 29.

The Okeechobee choral union will give a Christmas program at the auditorium Friday evening, December 17.

Rev. T. M. Lee and Dr. C. A. O'Quinn attended the M. E. district conference at Hawthorne.

Dr. Bibb, Albert Berka, Carl Simmons, Ellis Walston, Jimmy Wilson, J. E. Price, Claude Simmonds and C. A. Daugherty attended the Shrine ceremonial at Lakeland. Louis and Ed Scharfsewitz were among the candidates.

The highway filling station, which was damaged by fire a few weeks ago, is being repaired and will be operated by W. G. Stovall.

Sam Sherrard, county agent, represented Okeechobee at the agricultural conference held at Miami last week.

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WELCOME TO
THE LAND OF
PLENTY —
WATER, SOIL
AND SUNSHINE

"WE
WANT
MORE
FARMERS"

*Robert Brooks '26
Hollingsworth*

BIG CITIES GROW WHERE FARMERS SUCCEED

FOR THE GOOD OF THE EVERGLADES

There are some certain and definite things that can be done for the advancement of the Everglades. They can not be completed right away, for the work should be continuing for many years, but they can be started now.

The great need of the Everglades is drainage; that is fairly well taken care of now. Next to drainage is roads—roads second because without drainage there is no need of roads, and a comprehensive road program is being executed. The railroad situation is good in prospect; what it is to eventuate depends on the progress of drainage operations, and we have said that drainage is fairly well taken care of.

Some of the things that are referred to as assets of the Everglades have been referred to so often that they are commonplace—soil, climate and geographical situation. It will be well if we avoid too much dwelling on the possession of these natural advantages, for contemplation of them tends to lessen initiative and makes us lax in utilizing them by doing the things that must be done. There is an asset of the Everglades that it is well to consider and make use of. This asset is the ownership of thousands of small tracts of land by persons located all over the United States who still are anxious to come here and take up residence. The Everglades would have a splendid prospect in its present stage of development; it has a magnificent prospect through the opportunity to utilize the enthusiasm of the thousands of non-resident owners.

Ownership of tracts of land by persons who want to come here and settle reduces the time and labor required for settlement; the arduous task of "selling the country" has been accomplished. A distinct duty is due to the non-resident owners from every agency that has any connection with the Everglades.

Thus one of the certain and definite things that can be done for the advancement of the Everglades relates to the non-resident owners, who by their payment of taxes over a long term have provided a considerable part of the funds for reclamation.

The Everglades News is procuring a list of the non-residents. Access to this list is available to all Chambers of Commerce, and we commend the use of this list to those organizations. Expenditures to interest persons in Florida who have never visited the state or made investments here while taxpayers are ignored is not a gracious or business-like thing. Not all of the land owned by non-residents has been made available for settlement, but there is considerable acreage in the sub-drainage districts that is ready for cultivation. It will require a good deal of close attention to detail to segregate and list the ownership of lands available for settlement and

communicate with the owners but close attention to detail is one of the certain and definite things that are called for now, to replace the grand hurrah stuff of the past.

It is the view of The Everglades News that with intelligent administration of the existing drainage facilities there are thousands of acres of land that can be cultivated the year round. Only a small part of the land possible of cultivation is in cultivation, and this for only a part of the year. There are hundreds of non-resident owners who want to know if their land is ready for cultivation. To

GRASS

JOHN J. INGALLS

Next in importance to the divine profusion of water, light and air, these three great physical facts which render existence possible, must rank the universal beneficence of grass. Grass is the most widely distributed of all vegetable beings, and is at once the type of our life and the emblem of our mortality. Lying in the sunshine among the buttercups and dandelions of May, scarcely higher than the penitentiary tents of that mimic wilderness, the recumbent grasses are green and gay, and the fitful fever is ended, and the foolish wrangle of the market and forum is closed, grass heals over the scar which our descent into the bosom of the earth has made, and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead. Grass has been the favorite symbol of the monastic life, and the pensive Nebuchadnezzar, in his penitential mood, execrated even the upstart greenery as the sacred historian informs us, did not grass like an ox?

Grass is the forgiveness of Nature—her constant benediction. Fields trampled with battle, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon, grow green again with grass, and carnage is forgotten. Streets abandoned by traffic because of the desertion of man, and the fields where the harvests perish, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Beleaguered by the sultry hosts of winter, it withdraws into the impregnable fortress of its subterranean vitality, and emerges under the first solicitation of spring, to be by wine, by sunburn, by the scorching heat of the sun, by the culture of the elements which are its ministers and servants, it softens the rude outline of the world. Its tenacious fibres hold the earth in its place, and prevent its soluble components from washing into the wasting sea. It invades the deserts and fills the interstices of the crags and forbidding pinnacles of mountains, modifies climates, and determines the history, character and destiny of nations. Unobtrusive and patient, it has immortal vigor and aggression. Banished from the thoroughfares and the field, it abandons its time to return to it when vigilance is relaxed, or the day has passed, it stealthily steals back, and throned from which it has been expelled, but which it never abdicates. It bears no blazonry of bloom to charm the senses with fragrance or splendor, but its homely hue is more enchanting than the lily or the rose. It yields no fruit in earth or air, and yet holds its harvests fail for a single year, famine would depopulate the world.

expect them to make a trip to Florida to learn the condition of their land is not a reasonable requirement.

The survey of the Everglades that is called for in order to correlate land and ownership may disclose that although sub-drainage districts have been organized and improvements made in them, the operation of the districts lacks in efficiency. If this is the case it is a condition that must be faced and considered and corrected in due time. There will be a better market for drainage bonds when drainage works are efficiently handled, and efficiency will be promoted by replacing lax drainage officials with supervisors who will give attention to the needs of the residents in the district. That is another certain and definite thing that can be done for the advancement of the Everglades.

There is tax-evasion and land monopoly in the

Everglades, probably no more marked here than elsewhere, but some mitigation of the condition will be a factor in hastening the development of the region.

The persons in whose hands have lain the control of the Everglades have been lacking in enterprise. These persons are the commissioners of Everglades Drainage District, the supervisors of the sub-drainage districts and the large landowners. Control has not been in the hands of the residents and is not in the hands of the residents, and unfortunately there is little prospect that the residents will have control. The responsibility for the Everglades in the future, then, is in the hands of persons other than the residents. If these persons who are in control have faith in the region there is a duty on them to exercise the leadership they possess and retain, and to exercise control for the benefit of all.

Proposal that an organization be effected and maintained for the advancement of the Everglades, and primarily the colonization of the drained areas, is not a chimerical idea.

The promotion agencies of South Florida have too long looked at the Everglades in local aspects—each has boosted its own part without considering the region as a whole. Organization of the Association of Sub-Drainage Districts is the most forward-looking action that has been taken since the creation of Everglades Drainage District, for it tends to broaden the view. If it is precursor to an organization that will embrace all interests in the entire region its conception was a splendid thing.

The State of Florida owns thousands of acres of land in the Everglades; the state has a bureau of immigration. This bureau can be an instrument for the advancement of the Everglades. With it the Association of Sub-Drainage Districts can work. Chambers of Commerce of cities adjacent to the Everglades deal occasionally with colonization of lands in their "back country." A consolidation of the efforts of these several organizations ought to accomplish substantial results, while each retains its identity and field but working with an organization devoted solely to the settlement of the Everglades. Cities and counties have found it advantageous to levy taxes for publicity; the legislature will authorize the collection of a publicity tax on lands in the Everglades if the proposal is endorsed by the trustees of the internal improvement fund and the large land owners.

The residents of the Everglades await a program from the persons who control the district. The men in control have distinct qualities and large capability. The question is, will they use their abilities? They will not unless they are urged to it. If they do respond to this plea they will have the full support of the residents of the Everglades. We confess we are trying to tempt the commissioners of Everglades Drainage District and the large land owners into committing themselves to recommendations. It is necessary for the advancement of the Everglades that the men in control do commit themselves. Sale of land by the trustees of the internal improvement fund or companies while responsibility for the fate of buyers is disclaimed is not a practice that will be continued. When the men who control the district have committed themselves the residents will be in position to make programs for their communities.

PROPOSES PLAN OF ROAD ALL AROUND LAKE OKEECHOBEE

Representative Wilson From
Dade County Points To
Need For It

STATE ROAD DEPARTMENT
HAS FUNDS FOR DOING IT

Thought Suggested By State
ments Made At Governor's
Drainage Conference*

"State Highway From, Canal
Point Along the Shoreline Of
The Southern Portion Of Lake
Okeechobee To Moore Haven."

"There exists today a vital
need for such a highway be-
cause the territory through
which it passes is a highly pro-
ductive farming section; the
commercial needs of the various
communities along its route
more than offset the cost of con-
struction and further there has never
been any form of suitable high-
way facility in this district."

"Of greater importance how-
ever than any of the above rea-
sons is the protection to the lives
of the citizens of these communi-
ties that such a highway would
offer. It would be a life line by
waters of Lake Okeechobee such as the recent Moore Haven tra-
gedy. This highway constructed
by the State Highway Commis-
sion according to proper engi-
neering design would serve as
a dike replacing the inadequate
dikes already in use and thus
offer to these communities
protection of life and财产,
a fitting reward which these
communities have more than
earned by their pioneering ef-
forts; their unlimited fortitude
in combating the obstacles of
flood, drought and fire and the
courageous necessity because of
their development."

"The construction of this high-
way would be from material dug
or dredged from both sides of
the road and this could be ac-
complished in such a manner as
to create two navigable canals
one on either side giving the ad-
ditional advantage of water trans-
portation where needed and
perhaps serving even further as
drainage or irrigation canals.
The transportation value would
however, depend upon hyacinth
control."

"The writer attended the re-
cent Everglades Drainage Con-
ference convened at order of our
Governor in West Palm Beach
and was highly impressed by
the eagerness displayed by the ad-
ministration as well as the de-
legates to solve this important
problem in which the whole state
as well as the nation is concerned."

"One of the Okeechobee dele-
gates spoke of the apprehension
and fear under which the farm-
ers of his section lived during
the flood periods of Lake Okee-
chobee because of the inade-
quate dike protection against
flood and the possible repetition
of the Moore Haven disaster."

"The administration spoke of
the impossibility of immediate
relief because of the lack of
funds in the Treasury of the
State Drainage Board. Another
Okeechobee delegate stressed
the fact that besides the great
need of drainage and flood pro-
tection a greater need of high-
way transportation now existed.
The delegates from the other states
delegates gave to the writer the
idea that the three problems
were subject to immediate so-
lution by the accomplishment of one;
namely the construction of
the proposed highway by the
State Highway Commission.
This commission has the available
funds. This highway is a matter
of economic necessity. Those ef-
fected have earned it and de-
serve it."

"This highway should be fur-
ther extended as soon as the af-
fairs of the commission will per-
mit; from Moore Haven to Okee-
chobee City along the west
bank of the lake thus completing
a highway system extending
entirely around the shores of the
lake."

"This highway would in no
way conflict with the plans for
the flood control of the lake in
the opinion of the writer or it
could be so planned as not to
conflict but to serve as a valuable
medium in its accomplishment.
If the idea impresses you—
boost it."

"Respectfully submitted,
D. EARL WILSON,
State Representative Elect,
Dade County, Florida."

OKEECHOBEE WOMAN'S CLUB

By Mrs. Blanche Van Pali
The Woman's Club of Okeechobee
has a membership of eighty working
members. Each member is either
a professional, business or home-mak-
ing woman, and there is room in this club
for all kinds of women. We are affiliated with the meeting
of sections of the Florida Federation
of女子俱乐部. Our first annual report shows that we have accom-
plished as much as any other club in
our section.

Our work is divided into eight de-
partments; Home, Health, Civics,
Beautification, Library, Music, Art
and Literature. Each department fur-
nishes a program for every year, and the
lectures and papers given at these
occasions would be a credit to any audience
anywhere.

We own a building which is com-
pletely furnished and represents an ex-
penditure of about seven thousand
(\$7,000.00) dollars. The building is not
quite free of debt, but every three
years we pay off interest and reduce
the principal one-half.

The Boy and Girl Scouts have free
use of the club house and the Women's
Club Officers are responsible for
the Okeechobee Girl Scouts. Our
building is also used for other civic
affairs.

Three years ago we had main-
tained a library but at that time we
got crowded out of a place in which to
house our books. However, we are
now in a new building at a cost of
\$6,000.00. This is one of our main objectives for this
club year. A successful book shower
was held in November and we will feel
very happy when we have a place
which we can add a book to our library.

We have recently beautified our
front grounds with a recent gift from
the Exchange Club (\$500.00) for labor
alone. Of this amount the Exchange
Club kindly donated \$75. The Woman's
Club gave \$55 and the balance was given
by Mrs. Nair and Stovall.

When our general fund suffered an
attack in the fall of last June and
it was all we could do to hold
rally our forces and get down to real
work. Our building was considerably
damaged during the torn July and
the hurricane in September, but the
damage was immediately repaired. At
the time the repairs were ordered we
had not enough money in the treasury, but
when the work was done we were able
to meet our obligations.

An old lady says "It is an ill wind
that blows nobody good" and in our
case it seems that this principle has
been a means of bringing us closer together,
making us work all the harder,
and in bringing out the very best
that was in us.

We have bravely met all obstacles,
we have prospered, our membership is
on the increase, everything most har-
monious, the year has been a success
and achievements have exceeded our ex-
pectations and upon all this we can look
back with satisfaction, pride and grati-
tude.

Our work has an influence for good
that is felt throughout the community.
We believe it has been the lasting
kind and we can safely say that
the Woman's Club of Okeechobee has
been weighed and found wanting.
Florida sunshine forever settles on
our head."

SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES IN GLADES

SCENES AT THE SOUTH END OF THE LAKE



Top—V. C. Denton's General Merchandise Store at Belle Glade. V. C. Denton's General Merchandise Store at South Bay. Middle at Left—School House at South Bay. Franz Lumber and Supply Company's Store at South Bay. Bottom—South Bay Hotel and Group of Guests. Freidheim & Crocker General Merchandise Store, South Bay.

SCENES IN BELLE GLADE



Top—Belle Glade Hotel. Next—Belle Glade School House. Third Picture—Reidel Service Station, Belle Glade. Fourth Picture—Methodist Church, Belle Glade. Bottom—H. T. Holloway's Dwelling, Belle Glade. The House Is Equipped with a "Home Outfit" Electric Light Plant and Water System. The Tract of Land Around the House Is One of the Best Trick Farms In the Section. The Land Had Not Been Prepared for Planting When the Picture Was Taken.

Welcome to the Florida Everglades,
the greatest truck farming country
of the United States. As yet the surface
has been but scratched. There is room
for you here.

Before you pay heed to any
unfavorable publicity broadcast
regarding this district make
a personal investigation.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 772 of the Revised Gen-
eral Statutes of Florida.
Notice is hereby given that Edward S.
Mutter, purchaser of Tax Certificate
No. 4085, dated the 27th day of July,
A. D. 1924, has filed a certificate in
my office and has made application
for tax deed to issue in accordance
with law. Said certificate embraces the
land described particularly situated
in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit:
Lots 42 and 43 Buchanan Block, Sanders
Boulevard Addition, to West Palm
Beach, bounded on the north by Sec-
tion 29, township 43 south, range
43 east. The said land being assessed
at the date of this issuance of such cer-
tificate, at the sum of \$1,000.00. Un-
less said certificate shall be redeemed
according to law, tax deed will issue
on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1926.

Witness my official signature and
seal this 8th day of December, A. D. 1926.

Fred E. Fenn, Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach
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Last publication, Jan. 21st, 1927.

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SOUTH BAY- BELLE GLADE

Belle Glade Busy Center

That Belle Glade is destined to grow is a foregone conclusion as its town-site location is ideal, being located at the intersection of the state highway and the Canal Point-Palm Beach road, with a railroad now being built and completed to within six miles of the town. Further, this is considered the richest of all Everglades land and is already being developed, and for the most part under cultivation.

At present there may be seen miles after miles and acre after acre of growing crops, mainly vegetables, turnips, potatoes, squash, onions and other vegetable crops. One must see this country to understand it, for it is impossible to conceive of a more flourishing region than it unless it is seen with the physical eyes.

Although it is a small town, Belle Glade has a busy commercial life. There is an excellent hotel, affording local and transient guests every convenience. The general stores, stores, with the exception of being buildings, restaurant, a fur business, filling station and auto supply house and other minor enterprises.

V. C. DENTON STORE

V. C. Denton, who for several years has conducted a general merchandise business at South Bay, has a store at Belle Glade which is doing a flourishing business. The store is well stocked with all manner of general merchandise and is a credit to the region. Denton, in his letter to the editor of this paper, states that he owns his South Bay store, which is even better stocked and caters to the trade of the people from many miles away. He is a man of great energy and business man and is a good example of success achieved in the district. Further, he finds him ever taking a personal interest in the progress and movement launched for the welfare and upbuilding of the town and country. It is such men who are building the Everglades regions to inspect it.

Budger's Store

What is known as Budger's Store, another general merchandise establishment at Belle Glade, is likewise doing a fine business. This is the oldest business of its kind in this section and is today owned and operated by W. H. Smuin and J. Friedheim. The active manager is W. H. Smuin, while Mr. Friedheim devotes his time to his business at South Bay, which is another general merchandise store owned jointly by him and D. W. Crocker. Friedheim & Crocker have made good. Com-

ing to this country about four years ago as surveyors, they saw in prospect its ultimate growth and its business opportunities. They bought out an old established place which, however, was not a success. Today, their stock is large and complete, and includes every item usually found in any well stocked general store—groceries, dry goods, shoes for the whole family, notions, seeds, feeds and other items.

"Belle Glade Place"

Bill's Place, as it is known, is Belle Glade's only restaurant, and is doing a flourishing business. It is owned and operated by Wm. M. Brewer, who has been in the trade several years ago and has three dollars a day to his name. He started farming and working at soon after engaged in the lumber business. The late storm almost wrecked his business, but such was his faith that he immediately rebuilt and his business now shows no trace of having suffered, nor do I find traces of it in his own personality.

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HOOKER & WEST GENERAL STORE

On Hillside Avenue, just across the clothes is Chosen, where the post office is located in the general store known as the Hooker & West store. This store was started by W. R. Hooker and J. W. West, who have been here doing a flourishing business ever since.

Soon after the organization Mr. West

HOOKER & WEST GENERAL MERCHANDISE

The Palm Beach Mercantile Company at West Palm Beach is the oldest business in the county and its growth well reflects the progress of the district. It is one of the oldest of the best buildings in the city, fronting on both Clematis Avenue and Datura streets in the heart of the main business

district. For years this store has been a favorite shopping place for the Everglades and well stocked departments, which include hardware, lumber, paint, agricultural and general supplies. It also includes furniture, hardware, builders' supplies, general house furnishings, sporting goods, draperies and rings.

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General Merchandise Store,
Chosen, Fla.

ook over Hooker's interests and while operating under the old name he is now the sole owner. Mr. West is known as a live wire Everglades merchant and a fine example of a successful operator. He does some farming every year, as side issue and reports excellent success in his farm operations.

F. H. FRIEDMAN, FARMER AND REALTY OPERATOR

A man who has made a distinct success of his affairs and has contributed much to the development of the Everglades is C. E. Reidel of Belle Glade. He came to Belle Glade seven years ago and commenced farming and other things he has here holding a picture of which will be noted in this issue and later on in this section.

He landed here five years ago and commenced farming on a small scale. Stress was given to his efforts and indeed he has succeeded in his work. His wife is F. H. Friedman of Chosen, who yearly makes trips back to Iowa, his old home, and invariably induces others to follow her.

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Cocoanut trees can grow in the Everglades. Nobody is proposing that they be grown as a commercial proposition, but it should interest prospective home-builders in this section that they can have on their farm tracts the same tree that adds so much to the charm of the east coast. All varieties of palms grow in the muck soil. Some of the finest royal palms in the world grow on the southeast side of the lake—or did grow there; it is understood that many of them have been dug up and transported to Miami. As high as one thousand dollars has been paid for good royal palms. There are several groups of cocoanut palms north of Canal Point.

Of the flowering trees, none command greater admiration than the royal poinciana. There are several of these on the ridge north of Canal Point. The largest showing of poincianas is made at Moore Haven, where they line the sidewalk around the chief hotel of the town.

The bougainvillea vine is sometimes difficult to establish in growth but it is no more difficult in muck than in any other type of soil. Its flower is of various colors.

The hibiscus and ocander are commonplace in the Everglades but the flower most often seen is the ca'a lily.

Bermuda is the lawn grass most often used but St. Augustine is superior.

Splendid roses are grown in muck soils. Mrs. W. F. Buchanan at Canal Point has grown roses that attracted wide attention. Miss Alice E. Reed of Belle Glade specializes in tulips and flowers that grow from bulb to flower. H. H. Hough, whose farm at the south end of the lake and whose address is Chosen, has grown a great variety of flowers and in large quantity.

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When The Harvest Of Beans Is On

Harvest is the reward of plan and toil, and in the Everglades the fruits of the harvest come to the market place at the loading station—on the canal bank or at the depot platform. There the life of the community centers most active hour of the day.

Pickers go into the bean fields later in the day than do reapers of grain, for they must wait until the sun has driven the dew or other moisture from the vines. Checkers in the field award pasteboard slips to the pickers as each picker is brought to the end of the row. This is a convenient method of keeping count of the work for which cash payment is to be made in the evening. The hampers accumulate and are passed to other workmen who examine the contents and do such sorting as is called for, this being the grading by which the inferior stock is separated from the good.

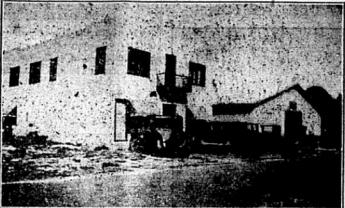
During the day trucks have brought the pickers to the field, for the patch of beans may be miles distant from the "quarters." Hampers that are to be filled are trucked in from the dock where they are graded, the day advances and evening approaches, the trucks get into action, for the hampers of graded beans must be gotten to the loading station and placed on boats or in the iced car by a fixed hour. Finished the picking for that day, the stooping pickers stretch their muscles and seek a "long pull" when the pasteboard slips that serve as credits for the work done.

Buyers and solicitors for commissary houses in the north have come into the field and surveyed the vines and fruit and noted the manner of grading.

It is the hour of weariness and exertion and the hour of reward, for a part of the crew has had the hour of greatest activity to follow. Along the canal bank are the boats and barges; during the day they brought in hampers and other supplies, now they await the cargo for the outward trip. Boats shift position at the dock; the number of iced cars known as "Giant" are loaded with beans. Lights, flares and gleams. Tires mon stumble and grumble in the dark. There is the voice of a man singing, in one direction; a man is murmuring curses in another. Trucks start with chattering noises, cut-outs are open, impatient drivers call for passageway with strident notes.

The street along the canal bank is crowded. The row of bean

OKECHOBEE HEADQUARTERS—BASS LUMBER & SUPPLY CO.



This firm also has a branch yard and office at Canal Point.

Henry T. Bass, the head of the Bass'ers supplies, garden tools, roofing, paints, etc., and during the vegetable season handles crate materials. Mr. Bass has been good in capital cities in the eastern country in the Lake Okeechobee country. The above is a picture of the retail store and office of the Bass Lumber & Supply Co., Okeechobee. The firm also products a branch yard and store at Canal Point.

The Bass Lumber & Supply Company carries in stock lumber and other building

hamper lengths and sizes, and new rows are made. Men shout about kidding, laughing, swearing, swearing. There is dictation and trading. There is heard the soft drawing voice of a Cracker boy growing in conversation with a nasal-voiced Hebrew from New York. Confusion is the seeming state of affairs, but out of it comes the coming, the settled accounts of owner and buyer, consignor and boatman.

Like a street in an old world city during a Mardi Gras celebration is the canal, in which the lights are reflected—the lights of the boats, the lights from the locks and bridge—white lights, green lights, red lights. The boats are piled, the trucks have gone away, the farmers have withdrawn to their homes for repose, and quiet settles on the scene.

Or it may be to the railroad station platform that the hampers have been brought. Like grapes to the winepress or apples to the cider mill or wheat to the granary, it is all the same—it is the culmination of the harvest.

The acreage and yield have been estimated weeks in advance, the vegetable express company has provided exactly the number of iced cars known as "Giant" for the day's demand; the cars stand on the siding. "Get out of my way, you blanketly blank!"—this is a not unusual form of salutation between drivers of trucks that come loaded with hampers to the iced cars. There is a bit more system at the railroad station that at the dock; the number of packages is checked.

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There Are Only A Few Days Left for Christmas Shopping. See our Display of Holiday Goods

A Merry Christmas To All!

CLEWISTON

A point on Lake Okeechobee, that was known as Sand Point was long ago seen as a fine location for a good town but it was not until recently that the town of Clewiston was established on that site. Its present stage is one of development—not a complete town, but the property is strong hands and is certain to be a great city in the future. There is no post on the lake, but fundamental development work is so well advanced.

Among the businesses now established in the town are these to which reference is made below:

Clewiston Supply Company

The Clewiston Supply Company, Clewiston's big general merchandise store, would do credit to towns of much larger population. It is unusually well stocked and has practically everything found in any good country general merchandise store. The business has been very successful several years. It is the result of a real establishment and is well founded.

Alston's Meat Market

A business that is an asset to the community is Alston's Meat Market and Grocery, owned and operated by J. R. Alston. First, Fleischman, who is just now staging a comeback and showing his continued faith in the country after having suffered a loss during the recent Hollywood fire. Seeing in prospect the future awaiting the Clewiston country, he was not slow to invest in both the result that now follows and the means of operation he has in a thriving business.

The Clewiston Furniture Company

Clewiston is steadily gaining new residents, so it follows that its business life must prosper. Another busy store and one that supplies not only Clewiston but the surrounding areas along the lake, is the Clewiston Furniture Company, a branch of an old established house, The W. O. Thomas Company of Cleveland, Ohio. The manager is in charge of Frank Richman, an enterprising business man of the younger generation who is fast making a name for himself. This business has been in operation for the past year and Mr. Richman reports steady growth and progress.

The Darcy Laundry

Another store which shows its fifth in the country is in operation back in the old days. Chas. Darcy, who operates the laundry and tailor shop at Clewiston, has suffered also a considerable loss during the recent fire but is still in the trade. He is doing a flourishing business now, doing a flourishing business as usual. Darcy is one of those who mean to stick and one of those who will come out ahead.

FISHING IS GOOD AT CLEWISTON**Clewiston Packing Company**

There are many reasons why there is so little shipping in and around Clewiston, so it follows that the shipping and marketing of the products is a big item. At present the largest packing house in the Clewiston area is the Clewiston Packing Company which will be ready to handle this season's crops. The business is owned and conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Waggoner, practical farmers who have planted in the townsite 150 acres to beans, peas, potatoes, cabbage and other truck crops. The agricultural land to the west of Clewiston is now being prepared and will be ready for planting by January first.

Clewiston Building Material Co.

The Clewiston Building Material Company, entirely separate from the Clewiston Company, is another busy Clewiston firm. It keeps step with the growth of the building industry, especially in the building game in Texas, as the manager, Mr. Duran, is. The firm handles concrete, lumber, insulation materials and builders supplies, retail and wholesale, and shipping in car load lots to other parts of the state.

E. L. Williamson

E. L. Williamson, formerly of Kansas and Oklahoma, where he was in the flour milling and cement business, heads the new business of the same name, entirely in the building game in Texas, as the manager. The business is a boom to the section, as a ready supply for the townsmen and the neighboring farms.

Alston Drug Store

The latest business addition to Clewiston and one that fills a long felt want is the Alston Drug Store, which opened recently. The store carries a complete stock of drugs and sundries about a month ago. It is conducted by K. C. and D. G. Alston, sons of F. L. Alston, who is a prominent citizen of Clewiston. The store is a credit to the new town and in it the people will find a ready source of supply. The regulars are invited to stop in and see what will find.

**LON A. HOUGH, REALTOR,
SPECIALIZES IN FARMS**

A man who has figured prominently in the development of this region and in the development of farm properties in this area is Lon A. Hough, who has his main interests at Okeechobee and who maintains offices at Okeechobee and the Faican Arcade at West Palm Beach. His farm properties are said to rival those in the whole Everglades and may be bought at as yet very low prices.

It was Mr. Hough and associates who planned and developed the Midway residential section at Okeechobee and it is he who is directly responsible for the location of most of our tuberculosis patients. He is a strong believer in this as a potentially great farming country and the settling of the country with real farmers is his hobby.

Mr. Hough is well known in this district as a man of the highest integrity. Here is a solid, stable real estate man with whom to deal. His office is open to anyone for further information regarding the country and their reply may be had at the Alfreds, Okeechobee or Faican Arcade, West Palm Beach.

**WAGG ORGANIZATION
GOES INTO INSURANCE**

Alfred H. Waggoner has effected the incorporation of the Alfred H. Waggo Insurance Agency, a new unit in the Alfred H. Waggo Organization, which will conduct all forms of insurance business, as vice president and general manager.

Mr. Duran comes to the Waggo Organization with a background of service in the insurance field and in the insurance world as a company official, general insurance adjuster and local agent.

The Waggo Agency will represent several of the companies with whom Mr. Duran was formerly connected, including the Maryland Insurance Company of North America, the Maryland Fire Company, the Maryland Insurance Company, the Sentinel Insurance Company and several others, all of equal financial strength.

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GOOD REASONS FOR THE NEW TOWNS ON LAKE OKEECHOBEE

And For Large Growth
of All Existing Com-
munities

WORTH IN SOIL AND BEAUTY IN SCENERY

Tendencies of the Times
Support Plans of De-
velopers

By Howard Sharp

The major portion of the following article was printed in the issue of the Everglades News of March 1926. It is reprinted here because it touches on a question that is still asked from time to time in one form or another.

What "excuse" is there for fragrant, sunshiny days in winter, mellow moonlight nights, clear blue skies, a golden sun coloring banks of diaphanous clouds across gently swelling waters?

What "excuse" is there for health and comfort, beauty and peace, sport and profit?

What excuse for the exercise of the creative instinct, the desire to achieve and excel, for new visions and a wider horizon for research and monotony, for romance, for opportunities for fortunes in business, for contact with new people?

These are the questions a correspondent asks us. He does not put the questions in just that form, but that is what they amount to, for in the course of a letter of inquiry he says:

"What excuse is there for the promotion of all these new towns on Lake Okeechobee?"

There is no caste system in

the United States—people are free to change their occupations and business. We are passed the feudal time when men were bound to the baron's estate—now they are free to move about. But some of the old inhibitions persist in mental attitudes; that may account for some of the reluctance to comprehend the "excuse" for the new towns on Lake Okeechobee.

The new towns on Lake Okeechobee are "promotions," but they are superior promotions. I haven't time to look it up in encyclopedias, but I suspect most of the great cities of the world were "promotions"—promoted by kings probably, but there are empire-builders, kings of finance and captains of industry today with the perspective of enterprise. Which is better—straggling towns like Topsay "just grown," or well-planned cities directed by the best minds? W. J. Connors, John S. Phillips, Isaac T. Cook, B.G. Dahlberg and Richard Delafield and Dillon Read and other "promotionists" and building cities on Lake Okeechobee are not fools hazardizing millions of dollars and more precious reputations on fool projects.

The "excuse" for new cities on Lake Okeechobee is the constitution of human nature, the state of society and the progress of civilization. These are not empty phrases, but are a precise answer to the inquiry of a man who wants to know "whether to buy or sell." The restlessness of human beings is a reason for new towns, the social practice of having winter homes is a reason, and the wealth that enables hundreds of thousands of persons to live there comfortably in winter homes is a reason. Twelve years ago the United States was second on a list of nations' national wealth; now by a compilation of the Treasury Department, the national wealth of the



Clewiston Scenes—No. 1—Administration Building No. 2—Pumping Plant, No. 3—On board "The Queen of the Lakes" pleasure boat of Clewiston Co.

No. 4—Water Filtration Plant. No. 5—Typical Clewiston residence.

United States is greater than the combined national wealth of the four other leading countries.

Regions developed and cities grew in the United States twelve years ago and more, there are lots have already reverted to acreage. The Lake Okeechobee cities are in a different and far

higher class because they are cities in newly developed and well located, planned cities and superior class of developments are in a different and superior location. Speculation in "cheap acreage" and "cheap lots" has subsided because the chaff has been winnowed from the grain.

People have learned that one lot in Florida isn't just as good as another—that is another "excuse" for the Lake Okeechobee "promotions."

the new Okeechobee cities.

You are paying me, Mr. — for my opinion—for thinking for you. Let me pass on a thought to you to mull over: Things move faster than they used to; there isn't the sentimental attachment for the old things there used to be: business men think of machinery or organization for better ones. This applies to changes of occupation and locations—it fits in with the greater wealth of the population and the quick and cheap transportation and the Florida migration. Production isn't the big thing in life any more—machinery has made production easy; financing and flotation are not what count now days, and banks to the telephone and the telegraph, financing and distributing can be directed from any accessible point. The factory or the mine has to stay in place, but the owner and financier and the distributor can move around, they

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FIRM FAITH IN COUNTRY HELD BY ALL WHO KNOW THE GLADES

What is the state of affairs in the Everglades, what the state of the people and what the outlook for the country?

A summary review is the best answer. B. G. Dahlberg of Chicago, president of the Southern Sugar Company, projecting a large enterprise at Clewiston, says, "This is no time to turn back. The rich muck soil is a asset and the drainage is feasible." Mr. Dahlberg is president of The Colcot Company. His sugar company is increasing its acreage of sugar cane at Clewiston and Canal Point.

The Brown Company of Portland, Maine, owning 70,000 acres of land and cane in the middle Glades is planting 400 acres of potato to make use of much of its land while a larger tract is prepared for planting to peanuts in the summer.

At the drainage conference in West Palm Beach in October one of the most optimistic addresses made was by an officer of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company which has invested five million dollars in land and sugar mill in Dade county on Miami canal.

When farmers and business men of the upper Glades met Tuesday, October 16 at Clewiston, in the largest and most representative meeting ever held in the Everglades the first paragraph in a series of resolutions was a declaration of faith in the physical and economic reclamation of the Everglades.

The Florida East Coast railroad is extending the New Smyrna line eastward through the Everglades with Miami as the objective. The road will run on the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee. Storms increased the costs of construction but the undertaking has not been abandoned; work is progressing as rapidly as physical conditions permit.

The acreage of spring crops in every district of the Everglades will be as large as any previous year; it probably will be larger than ever before.

The six paragraphs of this review make a very incomplete summary of the operations but they conclusively establish the point that the state of the country is good, that the resident people and the non-resident directors of big operations have not faltered and that the outlook is for great progress in the future.

Connors and Phillips and Cook and Dahlberg and their associates are not building cities on Lake Okeechobee to serve a few catfish fishermen and growers of beans and tomatoes. These men who control great banking and investment institutions and direct transportation systems and manage great industries are not disturbed or influenced by the idea that "people" are going to get buyers?" Well, I'm no sales manager to run a real estate campaign and locate prospects and furnish the selling talk to a sales force, but I'd say every family in the United States outside of Florida that has the price of a lot is a prospective buyer when the price is put to him. Any man that is exposed to a thousand dollars worth of life insurance is a prospect for the purchase of a lot because a winter's stay on Lake Okeechobee will restore vitality and prolong life and increase productive cap-

acity. Every man who longs to tend roses than shovel snow, get away from the old home or tend a furnace. With rail town and start life anew is millions of people in the United States possessing automobiles buyers among the people who there is no limit to the number would rather play golf or of prospective buyers of lots in

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**BIG MARKET FOR
MORE VEGETABLES**

Shown By Government Reports That Demand Exceeds Supplies

The United States Department of Agriculture testifies to the number and character of the opportunities there are in the Florida Everglades. The piping printed in smaller type which follows is from page 310 of the November 13 issue of "Crops and Markets," a weekly publication issued by the United States Department of Agriculture: Read it:

Tomatoes—California tomatoes, in large boxes, were selling to Chicago and Kansas City, \$2.50 per box. At that time cities farther east reported a range of \$3-\$3.50. A few markets quoted higher prices because of the limited receipts. This was practical, and along as the source of supply was limited, there decreased to 300 cars, compared with 425 the week before.

This article is evidence, too, of the need for the reclamation of the Everglades being continued and completed quickly.

The reason California was practically alone in its source of supply is that in September, 1926, the administrators of Everglades drainage district permitted the fields of the Everglades to be flooded. September is the month when the Glades farmers start putting their ground in shape for the fall crop, the first of the two crops that are sown each winter when operation of the drainage system permits.

The testimony of the United States Department of Agriculture is that the markets would absorb more tomatoes than California produced.

California is more distant from the market than is the Everglades. The market had been taking 425 cars; with California as the only shipper, the forwardings dropped to 200 cars in the week.

The facts support the information of Florida growers that there is no danger of the market glutting itself so far as the Everglades concern is concerned. Tomatoes can be produced at lower cost here than elsewhere and the shorter distance to the best markets gives this region an additional advantage.

**MUCK SOIL BEST
BY LOCAL TESTS**

Comparisons of Tracts Close At Hand Show Its Superiority

The muck soil of the upper Everglades is the most fertile soil in Florida. This bold statement is susceptible of proof in many ways.

The first form of the evidence of the superior fertility of the muck soil is sand was hauled and dumped on land at Canal Point where a base ball diamond was made; when the base ball diamond was abandoned and the tract was plowed and planted, beans and peas and other vegetables grew as well in the sanded spots as in the undisturbed muck.

Another form of evidence that muck is the richest soil is seen where beans and other vegetables are grown on the canal banks. The vines are thinnest in the spots where the soil is the marshy sand upon the muck.

Truckers who have lived along the lake for many years, have tested the sand on the beach. They find that it is not as good soil as the muck, nor is the sand of the "ridge" as fertile as the muck soil back of the ridge. It is only when fertilizers are applied that the sand and muck soils are as productive as the muck. The quality of the muck-soil vegetables is better than that of the vegetables grown in sand or marl.

The Florida Everglades bid you of other places welcome to the land where the forces of nature have combined with man's ingenuity, thrift and industry to build an earthly paradise.

coast. The fittest will survive and excel.

This reply to your inquiry has not stressed some of the attractions of the Upper Everglades and the Lake Okeechobee region nor reviewed the development under way because these phases are best treated from week to week in the news columns. Remember, however, that drainage is incomplete and the full promise of the region cannot be realized until the drainage is advanced. In this connection, although drainage is incomplete, three new cities are being established. It is evident that the region and the cities will grow as the drainage works advance in construction, as the projected railroads are completed. Grant that the cities are in advance of the agricultural development, that the agricultural area is only a part of the whole, farmers will have more reason to come because social and educational centers already exist and do not have to be waited for, with supply houses and professional services immediately available, transportation services ready, and a considerable local market.

Mr. Ponzi and his ilk.

Is there any "excuse" Mr. for Jacksonville and Tampa and Miami and West Palm Beach? You think they are justified by the back country adjacent that is to be developed? Has it occurred to you that Lake Harbor and Clewiston and Port Mayaca are actually in and of this back country and that they will serve the needs of the region better than the coast cities can serve them? No, these cities not to be too many cities on Lake Okeechobee, but I will not say there are not too many cities on the

Wall street has value. The real estate on Lake Okeechobee that is being developed in the new towns has more value than the real estate blue-printed by Ponzi and his ilk.

There are no "excuses" Mr. for Jacksonville and Tampa and Miami and West Palm Beach. Men of understanding and vision see it as it is and do it to be—that is the "excuse" for the new cities on Lake Okeechobee. Advise you to read The Everglades News carefully each week and keep posted on the big things that are doing.

**THREE RAIL LINES
IN EVERGLADES**

F.E.C. Company Has Im-
mense Program For
Year of 1927

Three railroads have lines in Everglades drainage district. They are the Florida East Coast, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Line.

The mileage of the Florida East Coast railroad in the Everglades is greater than that of either of the other companies. The F. E. C., extending from Jacksonville to Key West, touches on the northern parts of the drainage district which are carried eastward by the outlets of the canals and it has about 45 miles of line in the interior of the district, and is engaged in a mammoth project to extend a line from the north boundary of the district to the southern limit.

The Atlantic Coast Line extends the Everglades on the west side of the drainage district and has its present terminus at Clewiston.

The Seaboard Air Line's track from Okeechobee to West Palm Beach cuts across the northeast corner of Everglades drainage district.

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BIG CITIES GROW WHERE THE FARMER SUCCEEDS

Welcome to Florida Where Nothing Knocks But Opportunity

Best Country For Dairying

Interviewing A. Hansen, the dairyman who supplies Canal Point and Pahokee, was quite a job, but it was worth while because he is the chief dairyman in the upper Everglades. In the southern Glades there are dairies larger than his, but these dairies are in the sand prairie and marl land sections; Mr. Hansen is in the muck section, the region with which The Everglades News is concerned.

You want to know why interviewing Mr. Hansen was quite a job? Well, reason it out for yourself. If he makes out that dairying in the upper Glades is a snap, another dairyman or several other dairymen may come in and become competitors, and as it is already there is no more market for milk than he is prepared to supply. He has split up the market and started taking money if he encourages competition, and the new-comer will not make any money, either.

And yet Mr. Hansen is an honest man and will not try to make out that this is not a good dairy country; he has done well here and is free to say so.

The reason in dairying is land and market. He buys cows and ship them in, but that is not worth while unless there is land for pastures and market for the milk produced by the cows on the pasture land. Mr. Hansen owns two tracts of land, one on the "ridge" and the other "back in the muck"; he bought the tract at prices, he thought were fair, and he is in the natural position of being willing to sell his dairy land or to buy more land, depending on the price he is offered or the price at which he can get other land. If he says land in his locality is only worth so much, he fixes a price at which he could be asked to sell, or if he says the value is more, that could make it harder for him to buy. So he is between and between.

If Mr. Hansen was trying to sell his land and his business he would make out that he was offering a great bargain, but he is not trying to sell either. And if The Everglades News was set on painting pretty pictures it could take Mr. Hansen's statements and make out that running a dairy in the upper Glades is a snap and that the whole world ought to be trying to get into the dairy business around Canal Point and Pahokee.

But Mr. Hansen has just an ordinary average man's point of view, and all about the Everglades News will try to do is to give a correct picture of conditions. Being accurate is harder than most anything else. So there you are.

"How a man happened to get located in the Everglades is always a good starting place for an article about this country, so we will start with that. A. Hansen, the Pahokee dairyman, was living in Tampa a little less than four years ago when he got a letter from his old friend R. Boe, who told him the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee was the greatest country he had ever seen or heard of and advised him to come here, which advised him to come. Four and a half years ago this summer, in the fall of 1922, and the country was good then; it was the time of the greatest growth the upper Glades has had: Drainage facilities were incomplete but Lake Okeechobee was low and the land was dry. Mr. Hansen came and bought 35 acres' in section 2, township 42, range 37, south of Pelican Lake and southeast of Pahokee. He also bought a claim for a tract on the shore of Lake Okeechobee south of Pahokee. Then the flood came."

That is the high point in every story of every man's experience on Lake Okeechobee in the past four years—"the flood came." You can't talk or write honestly about the country without taking into account

the floods. Everything turns on that. The recollection of "the floods" confuses or paralyzes; in every interview with people who have been here long enough to have gotten any worth-while information that phrase crops up—"and then the flood came."

It is what can be done over a period of years that is the test of a man. "I find," said a man who "happened to hit" with a bean crop made in 75 days doesn't mean anything at all except to the writer of advertisements for a land com-

pany that is more interested in selling land than in the permanent development of the country. Mr. Hansen brought five registered Jersey cows with him from Texas to Pahokee. He started with six but one died en route. That was three years ago, come next December. Now, with what he has raised, and with what he has bought, he has 24 and males in his herd. "There was no real dairy on 'East Beach' (the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee); two or three settlers had cows and sold their small sur-

pluses. At the start he sold only 10 quarts of milk a day. Now, in November, he is selling 80 quarts a day; in the spring when population is at the peak point and people have more money than at any other season, he sells 90 to 100 quarts a day. All the rest of the milk sold in this locality by all other owners of cows will not exceed 20 quarts a day." This paragraph summarizes completely one aspect of the dairy business on the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee. It needs only to

be added that Mr. Hansen sells most of his milk at 22 1/2 cents a quart.

In the middle of November, when this interview was had, Mr. Hansen was selling between \$550 and \$600 worth of milk a month from 12 cows. People who know about such things can draw their own conclusions—the writer is not a dairyman and isn't arguing for or against anything.

"What are the best pasture

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Construction Is Under Way of Line To East Side of Lake

Two companies render telephone service in the Everglades. One is the Southern Bell Telephone Company and the other is the Inter-County Telephone Company.

The Southern Bell Company owns the exchanges in Miami and West Palm Beach and elsewhere on the east coast and is constructing a line westward from West Palm Beach to Clewiston, where connection is made with the Inter-County's lines and by which communication is to be had with Fort Myers and other west coast points.

The Southern Bell's line

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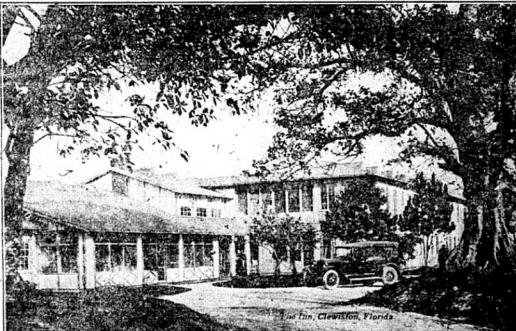
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Clewiston Inn Has Beautiful Setting on Lake Okeechobee.



branches at Belle Glade and while the main line extends from Clewiston via South Bay, the other line extends to Pahokee and Canal Point sugar mill. There are no local exchanges on the eastern and southern shores of Lake Okeechobee.

The Inter-County Telephone Company is commonly understood to be owned by Barron G. Collier and associates. Mr. Collier is practically all of the land in Collier county. His companies have holdings at Fort Myers and Punta Gorda. The Collier interests own the local exchanges at Moore Haven and Okeechobee.

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Drained Glades Is Free of Ticks

Cattle men are warranted in giving consideration to the Everglades as a field of operation. This can fairly be said now, although until now there were obstacles to success; all of the obstacles have been removed to a large degree. The cattle man who makes inquiry about the Everglades should not be frightened off by statements about conditions that have been changed.

The surface of the ground in a large area of the Everglades has settled since drainage work got under way. "This fact has a good deal to do with the outlook for the cattle business in the region; it states one of the reasons why the cattle business in the Everglades will be successful.

In the early stage of Everglades reclamation the running

of cattle would not have been a practical venture because the ground was too soft to bear weight of the animals.

It is true that disaster overtook an early and ill-considered attempt to establish a large dairy in the muck section of the Everglades. Cows were shipped in before barns or even sheds had been provided and before there were pastures or storage for milk feed. No experienced cattle man would do that. That was about ten years ago by a man who did not know the cattle business hasn't anything to do with what can be done now and hereafter in properly selected areas.

Practically all of the muck section of the Everglades is in tick free territory. The counties of Palm Beach, Broward and Dade were released from quarantine several years ago but patrolling is still done to maintain the tick-free condition.

Much data has been accumulated in recent years about

grasses, native and cultivated, that are adapted to the muck lands. This is another fact that makes it impossible to judge the Everglades of today on the basis of experience ten years ago. It is now known, for instance, that under some conditions Bermuda is not fit for cows but under

other conditions it is admirable. Pari, St. Lucie and other grasses have been tested and the best methods of cultivating and feeding have been ascertained.

Experience at the SS ranch and Loxahatchee dairy, in the flatwoods adjacent to the muck, have developed facts that are

helpful to cattle men who may range cattle on the muck lands hereafter.

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Best Country For Dairying

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grasses here?" Mr. Hansen was asked.

He replied: "I don't know much about that because I haven't had much chance to observe, water having been over so much of the land so long. But on the basis of what I have heard as much as on the basis of what I have seen, I would say that a mixed pasture is better than a field of any one single grass. A mixture of Bermudas, St. Augustine and Para seems to be good. Carpet grass and St. Lucie are good grasses, too. Bermudas and St. Lucie and Para will scour cattle, but St. Augustine checks it. A good thing about Para is that if it hasn't been cut too low it will keep growing no matter how much water—cows can stand almost knee-deep in water and graze on Para.

"Remember, however, I've had to buy so much feed because the pasture land was under water that I am no authority on pastures in the Everglades. I believe, though, that clover may do well here in winter. Alfalfa is all right in winter if the water table is low enough and it may live through the summer if the water table is kept low."

Inquiry was made about land values here and elsewhere. In the course of the interview Mr. Hansen said:

"There are places throughout the United States where \$150 an acre is the established price of land on which there are dairies, this including all improvements. But a dairyman can better afford to pay \$350 an acre here. Because a hard-surfaced road (the Belle Glade-Pahokee road) runs alongside my 35 acres in section 20, I think it is worth \$500 an acre."

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SCENES ON A. HANSON'S DAIRY NEAR PAHOKEE, FLA.



"At best there is not more than eight months of growing season for pastures anywhere in the United States; here it is two or more months. I can get away with getting off of 40 acres of my section 20 land, though the course of a year, than can be grown on 160 acres of the average pasture land in dairy sections."

The newspaper man noted that if average pasture land was worth \$150 an acre, Everglades land that produced four times the quantity of feed ought to be worth four times \$150, which is \$600 an acre. This agrees with Mr. Hansen's estimate of \$500 an acre as the value of his land "when the water is off."

Is it practical to run a dairy and do trucking also? This question was put to Mr. Hansen, a dairyman in a country where most of his neighbors are truckers.

But a dairyman can better afford to run a dairy, if he wants to, than a general farmer. Poultrymen have said that chicken raising and trucking do not go together; the run of truckers in the Everglades won't do anything except truck. And so the question was put to a dairyman. Is it practical to run a dairyman, if he wants to?

Mr. Hansen's answer was "No." "General farming is practical, that is, a farmer can very well have a cow or a few cows and produce milk for his family's use and for a few neighbors, and a small patch of vegetables and some corn and beans. He can do this, if that's what he can do if he wants to, but he won't make as much money or have as good a time as the man who limits himself to one business.

"Dairying is a seven-day job, and seven long days at that. If a dairyman has a patch of beans he won't have time to pick them without neglecting the dairy; if he neglects the dairy, the beans will get 'hard.' If the price of beans is high he may be tempted to neglect the milking and lose more money in the long run in consequence than if he'd let the beans go."

Mr. Hansen had told us that

he is buying most of his feed just now because the pasture was flooded. So we got the conversation back to another phase: "Can you grow all the feed you need?"

"We dairyman anywhere buys all of his feed, but a dairyman can raise a large portion of the feed for his cows here than anywhere I know of," was Mr. Hansen's reply.

"This is a particularly good grass country and the grass grows the year round; that must be supplemented by other feed, and corn is a good feed, and corn does well here in the Everglades, but I don't know if the water is low enough. Corn should be planted in February so it will mature before the heavy rains come in mid-summer. All of the African grains are good cow feed and they grow well here."

This matter of drainage—"If the water is kept low"—came up in the question of whether it is best—specialized farming or general farming. Poultrymen have said that chicken raising and trucking do not go together; the run of truckers in the Everglades won't do anything except truck. And so the question was put to a dairyman. Is it practical to run a dairyman, if he wants to?

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drainage district was "broke" and the land owners would not pay any more taxes. Governor Martin and the other members of the "state drainage board" say that, so a dairyman might say it. But he didn't.

He's getting along all right even though the country was flooded and making money out on his land and improving it even if his pasture is under water, thinks the Everglades is the best country in the world, intend to stay here all his life, likes the people and isn't kicking about the taxes. That tells the story.

Tender Vegetables

Crispness, tenderness, is a quality sought in green vegetables. This quality is obtained when the vegetable grows quickly, short stalks, thin stems.

Vegetation grows faster in muck than in any other type of soil—that is the reason vegetables grown in muck soils are more tender.

The Kalamazoo celery which set the standard for many years is grown in a muck soil. The celery of the Everglades equals the Kalamazoo celery in every respect.

Use can be had for all of the land in the Everglades. Some hardy varieties of sugar cane, although they contain sucrose, are deficient in sugar content in comparison with other varieties. But they are disease resistant and frost resistant, and the canes can be used for the manufacture of paper and products like Celotex, a form of lumber that is superior to wood.

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It is true that the muck soils why the Everglades peanuts contain more oil than do peat organic origin—that they are in nuts grown in any other type of the main product of the soil. There is a constantly increasing market for vegetable oil can be extracted from the muck oils, and the production of peanut soils by compression, a vegetable oil. That may explain industry in the Everglades.

After sixteen years of test and experiment, the conclusions drawn by the drainage and products of the Everglades are still valid. Reclamation is a practical undertaking and the soil when drained will produce a variety of profitable crops.

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Geo. E. Warren, Pioneer Everglades Citrus Grower, Tells Experiences

Geo. E. Warren of Miami is today one of the most widely known and most enthusiastic boosters of Everglades lands. He has devoted twenty-four of the best years of his life demonstrating conclusively the wonderful fertility of muck soils and their almost unbelievable productivity, and now heads one of the oldest and largest firms dealing in Everglades lands—namely, the Everglades Land & Development Co., of Miami. His keen foresight in his indomitable spirit and his experience even twenty-four years ago are now being borne out and justified by the results which are being obtained. It is to men like George Warren that we owe the developments that have already been obtained, and the further realization which now seems near at hand.

When asked to give an account of his experiences, he spoke as follows:

"Before coming to Miami I was superintendent of construction for the building of the smelting and sulphuric acid plants, together with some 480 houses, for the Tennessee Copper Company. During my six years in this capacity I developed a strong desire to own an orange grove in Florida. This desire increased until it became my main ambition. I corresponded with various sections of the state, and after making a thorough study of it, I decided that, on account of climatic conditions and wishing to be nearly free from frost as possible, the southern portion of the state was the best place to locate. I secured a two weeks vaca-

cation and came to Miami, then a city of less than 10,000 people. Upon my arrival there I inadvertently confided my ambition and was immediately beset by a number of real estate men who endeavored to interest me in various groves that had been established on high pine land. The soil in these groves did not measure up to the standards I had in mind.

I concluded that the

necessity for expensive fertilization and high cost of setting trees would raise the cost of production to a point where it would be difficult to compete with groves in other portions of the state.

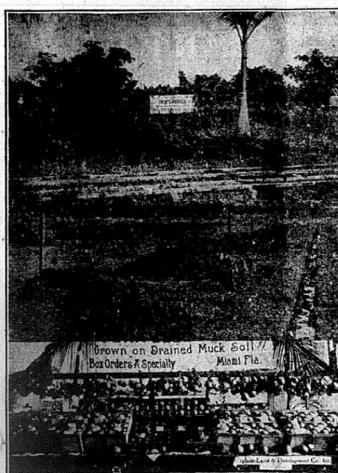
"After a week of fruitless

search, my attention was directed, by chance, to a tract of land lying on the south fork of the Miami river. The major portion of this tract was typical Everglade muck soil. There, for the first time, I saw the soil that I had been looking for. I closed a deal at once, paying a little over \$100 per acre. At that time I could have purchased a high grade farm in the country road from my place at only \$80 per acre. But it was the muck land I wanted. I was aware that the muck was subject to overflow each season, but I believed that by proper drainage I could make a grove thereon. When I announced my intention I was informed that it would be folly to try to grow citrus on muck soil.

The developer said:

"The trees will not live."

WARREN'S GROVE AND PRIZE-WINNING EXHIBIT



In only one year from the time of planting the grove had shown phenomenal progress. The second photograph shows the condition of the grove at this time. In the incredibly short time of two years from the time of planting I had many trees bearing as much as one box of fruit per tree. Eight years after the original planting I received 32 full boxes of grapefruit, and my entire grove averaged somewhat better than nine boxes of fruit per tree. These figures are taken from the records of the amounts paid me for the section of Everglade land known as Davie. After showing the Davie lands to their prospective purchasers their sallemen would

inevitably show my grove as a demonstration of what muck soil would produce. Mr. Helm and his salesmen have often stated that after a perfect and doubtful about purchasing, an inspection of the Warren's grove clinched the bargain. It was after viewing my grove that Messrs. Walsh, Viele, Langley and Cheadle set out their groves—the first ones to be planted in Davie, all of which did remarkably well.

"I exhibited my fruit regularly at the annual Dade County Fair, and my fruit always secured the blue ribbon. Through the attractive appearance of the fruit at these exhibits a considerable box order trade was built up under the name of Fernell Groves." My fruit was shipped to all sections of the United States and secured for me a large number of orders from the recipients of the blue ribbons.

"Year after year this grove was flooded—sometimes covered by a few inches of water, at other times covered to a depth of two feet. The fact that it was running water and would drain off as soon as the overflow stopped saved my trees from drowning. My drainage ditches would quickly remove the water and allow the soil to aerate. While the grove continued to produce excellent fruit, I am convinced that with adequate drainage and water control the results would have been even more gratifying."

"My early experiences on this project caused me to realize conclusively the value of muck soil. This conviction was strengthened by my experiences as agent for the Buckeye Nurseries, the largest citrus nurseries in the world. In this connection I sold and planted many thousands of citrus trees in both muck land and pine land; many of these were shipped throughout the states from the coast to Lake Okeechobee. Invariably, the trees planted on muck soil, where they were even reason-

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IT HAD TO BE GOOD TO GET WHERE IT IS

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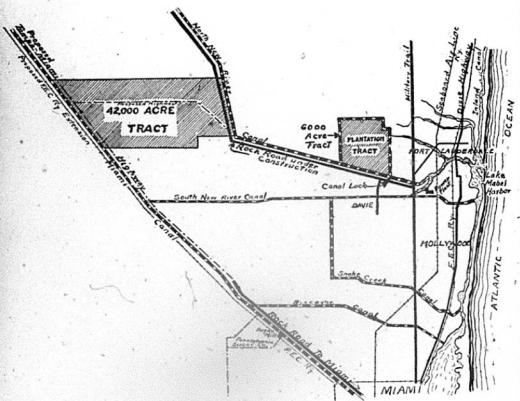
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**Capt. R. E. Rose
Writes of Drainage**

Tallahassee, October 28, 1926.
Mr. Howard Sharp, Editor,
The Everglades News,
Canal Point, Florida.

Dear Sirs: I enclose herewith and seal

your issue of October 8, particularly

your editorials "Sub-Drainage Dis-

trict," "In Line With Golf," "When

Men Have Seen in a State of

Suspended Animation."

This occurrence is by no means the

first overflow of the territorial

territory of the Everglades. It only

confirms the correctness of the Randol-

ph Report (The Florida Everglades

Engineering Commission to the Board

of Control of Internal Improvement

fund of the state of Florida,

of October 25, 1913 (published in

the Senate Document No. 89, 63d Con-

gress, 2d session, 1914); and empha-

sized the Lake instead of the Ever-

glades" the system adopted by Gov-

ernor Napoleon B. Broward and his

advisors in 1905, as fully set forth in

Governor Broward's message to the

legislature of May 5, 1905 (see docu-

ment "Everglades of Florida," No. 89,

Senate Committee on Internal Improve-

ment, 1905); and in the letter of Governor Broward to the legislature of 1905 (see docu-

ment "Everglades of Florida," No. 89,

Senate Committee on Internal Improve-

ment, 1905).

It is well known that the territory

surrounding Lake Okeechobee

in 1882, when Dixson Draining Com-

pany cut a canal from above the fal-

lacy to get water for a steamship to

load, was subsequently taken out on a

similar flood and placed on the route from Apalachicola to the Gulf of Mexico.

She was afterward sunk in the

Lake and the steamer "Bertha Lee,"

a Mississippian river steamer, 150

feet long, ran aground in the Mississippi, Louisiana, to Kissimmee, Florida, on Lake Tohopekaliga; where

she was taken out after considerable delay

and placed on a sunken of sounds of the

Gulf coast in Texas.

I note an editorial in leading Flori-

dade papers suggesting another survey.

When we consider the numerous sur-

veys of the Everglades by U. S. engi-

neers, by the U. S. Bureau of Agri-

culture and by the engineers of the

Dixson Draining Company as recorded

in U. S. Senate Document No. 89,

Senate Committee on Internal Improve-

ment, 1905 to 1914; the Randolph Report

of 1914 was made after six months of arduous work by three or more parties

of engineers, and the results of these

surveys, levels, soundings of soils, depth of muck, sand and rock.

The creation of the board of drainage

commissioners in 1907, by the legisla-

tive body, naming the trustees of the

I. L. Fund as the drainage commis-

sion, the request of Governor Na-

shon B. Broward, and the wise, skillful

executive ability and an experienced

bUILDER—was a wise act.

Governor Broward has realized the

advantages of the system of progressive

drainage and the economy of the owner

(the state) owning the equipment

and employing its own labor.

He has, however, reluctantly endorsed

by the Randolph Engineering Commission,

as follows on page 65 of the Randolph Report:

"The case—will be the case in the

prosecution of the work now under

consideration—the volume of work justifies the instrumentality of the state

and the necessary mechanical

equipment, and other competent em-

ployees, the owner can prosecute a work

of this magnitude at less cost than

the work is likely to be done by contrac-

tors."

The conclusions and the economy of

Governor Broward's holding and oper-

ating dredges are fully sustained

by the reports of the special joint

committees of the legislature on drain-

age. The reports of these committees

recommend the same to the speaker of

the house of representatives of the

Florida legislature in 1907

(pages 109-113, Everglades of Flora-

do, Senate Document No. 109,

pages 121-128, Everglades of Florida)

are illuminating. (These reports can

also be found in the report of the

Florida Legislature in 1907 and 1909.)

The correctness of Governor Brow-

ard's conception of the problem is also

furthered by the report of the Randol-

ph Commission (see first and

second paragraphs of this report, on

page 7, as follows:

"The conditions which existed when the Everglades engineering commission entered upon its duties as defined in the contract of April 30, 1913, are:

"Lake Okeechobee, the great liquid

heart of Florida, which, with the excep-

tion of Lake Michigan, is the largest

body of fresh water wholly within

the United States lies at the focus of

the greatest agricultural and industrial

problems in our country. This large area

possesses the limit of its capacity,

which is 1,000,000 cubic yards per year,

and the excess water is now a serious

problem to the state, which has been

and still is, the most populous state in

the Union, and the second largest in

area, and the third largest in extent,

and the fourth largest in population.

"The drainage of the Everglades

is the most important problem in the

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History of Glades Drainage Project

By the treaty of February 22, 1819, between the Kingdom of Spain and the United States, the United States assumed full the property and sovereignty of all territories known by the name of East and West Florida. The territory known as East and West Florida was, by an act of Congress, approved March 3, 1845, admitted into the Union under the name of the State of Florida on an equal footing with the original states in all respects whatever.

The Legislature of Florida in 1845 and again in 1848, adopted resolutions calling attention to the drainage of the Everglades, which resolutions formed the basis of the activity of Senator Weston in his efforts to have the lands granted to Florida.

Act of Congress of 1850

Through the efforts of Senator Weston, one of the first United States Senators from Florida, the swamp and overflowed land-grant act was enacted, and by amendment made applicable to all the states of the Union, which is usually referred to as the act of Congress approved September 28, 1850. Under this act, up to 20,000,000 acres of land have been patented to the State of Florida. The primary purpose, as expressed in the act of Congress, is to aid the states to reclaim the swamp and overflowed lands within their limits by means of drains and levees.

The act of Congress granting the swamp and overflowed lands for the purpose of drainage and reclamation, further provides that title thereto shall be conveyed to the various states by patents from the general government; and, in pursuance thereof, patents were issued by the government to the State of Florida conveying all the swamp and overflowed lands approved,

subject to the disposal of the Legislature.

State of 1851 and 1855

Following the enactment of the act of Congress approved September 28, 1850, the Legislature of the State of Florida passed an act in 1851, accepting the grant aforesaid, and made provision for a board of internal improvement, composed of commissioners chosen from the various judicial circuits of the state.

In 1854, this board, after some effort to handle the fund, prepared a report setting forth the reasons why the board found itself unable to handle the fund, and their efforts and views, accompanied by a bill, which recommended that the Legislature pass, and which became a law on January 2, 1855, the Internal Improvement Fund on the lands belonging thereto, to purposes other than as expressed therein within the strict rule and construction thereof making the fund applicable solely to the drainage and reclamation of the swamp and overflowed lands.

This attempted legislation was followed by another in 1855, including the view of Governor Drew in 1859 of the first railroad land-grant acts that were passed by the state Legislature, which resulted in the Legislature inserting in acts thereafter attempting to grant lands to railroad companies provisions making said grants subject to the terms of the act of Congress approved January 6, 1855, providing for the sale and disposition of the lands by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, and the application of the proceeds thereof, or the use of the lands in kind for the main purpose of the act, viz., the drainage and rendering fit for cultivation of the swamp and overflowed lands of the fund.

It appears from a close examination of the various acts of the Legislature, beginning in 1879, and continuing down to a very recent date, attempting to grant swamp and overflowed lands to the drainage and reclamation of railroads, including the Internal Improvement Fund established and observed the policy of regarding such acts as absolute grants of the lands mentioned therein, and of conveying such lands to the railroad companies in accordance with this interpretation of the meaning of such acts as the laws of 1855 and from 1879 to 1900, including upon 8,000,000 acres of swamp and overflowed lands were deeds made by the Trustees to railroad companies under legislative hand grants.

Dissston

On February 26, 1881, a contract was entered into, and between the Trustees and Hamilton Dissston and others in which it was agreed by Dissston and his associates that they would drain and reclaim at their own expense and charge, all the overflowed lands in the State of Florida lying south of township 23 and east of Peace creek belonging to the State of Florida, the Internal Improvement Fund.

The following condensed history of the Everglades and the drainage project is taken from a volume issued by the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., as Senate Document No. 99, 62d Congress, 1st session, under the title "Everglades of Florida."

Although the volume was issued as long ago as 1911, its history of the Everglades and the drainage project stand as the most authoritative statement on the subject. The present value of the excerpts here printed lie largely in the stress put on the agreements and decisions that the land granted by the Federal government to the state of Florida was for the purpose of drainage and the acceptance of this condition by the state.

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Under this agreement drainage operations began near Kissimmee and were prosecuted for some years, during which time many questions were raised about the drainage operations, resulting in an act of the Legislature being passed, which directed the governor to appoint a committee to investigate and ascertain what quantity of land the Atlantic Coast Canal & Okeechobee Land Co. (this being the corporation to which Hamilton Dissston and associates assigned their contract with the Trustees) had reclaimed for the state, and to determine which act the governor appointed Messrs. J. J. Daniel, W. H. Davison and John Bradford. This committee made an extensive examination into the drainage operations, the number of canals dug, the length, width, and depth of the same, and the location thereof; they also examined the capacity of the canals for carrying of the water along the prescribed route, with their probable influence on the waters along said route, the actual effect produced upon the waters along said route, and the watershed or area of country which the canals were intended to relieve. The examination was made by the committee during the month of July in the drainage district at every season of the year in order to test the permanent character of the work and better assure themselves of the correctness of the conclusions reached.

The Dissston contract was amended August 17, 1888, under which amended contract the Trustees were to deed, for and to the company the control of the canal drainage operations to the Dissston company one acre of land for each 25 cents that the company expended in such work. The change in the contract thus permitted drainage operations to be carried on in the Kissimmee valley, many miles distant from Lake Okeechobee, and at a much higher elevation. The canal system, which was only the canals excavated by the Dissston company, that would have tended to reduce the waters of Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades, if they had been

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MOTOR THROUGH

In actual mileage and driving time, Conners Highway and State Road No. 8 save the motorist 30 miles and 2 hours over any other route. The most direct route across the State of Florida.

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This wonderful band of rock-headed, asphalt paved highway, built by William J. Conners at a cost of three million dollars, begins at a point 22 miles from West Palm Beach, due west, at the end of a County road called Okeechobee Road. From this point Conners Highway runs its smooth way along the banks of the State Drainage Canal for a distance of 19 miles.

Then, from the town of Canal Point, it stretches along the shores of magnificent Lake Okeechobee for 32 miles to Okeechobee City. On one side the beautiful blue waters of the lake. On the other an avenue of Australian pines, palms, poinciana, magnolia and eucalyptus, entwined with festoons of Spanish moss.

Until Conner Highway was built, that vast and remarkably fertile area known as the Everglades, full of historic interest, and where Seminole Indians made their last stand, was inaccessible to the motoring public. Today Conners Highway, joining State Road No. 8 at Okeechobee, is the ideal route to and from points on the West Coast, and to the North. The route north is through the beautiful Seminole Highlands region and the road for miles runs through a country of rolling hills, studded with mammoth citrus groves, with countless lakes on each side.

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TRUCK GROWING

The Okeechobee region produces abundant crops of the tenderest of vegetables and food stuffs out of doors, even during the coldest winter months of the year.

Rapid refrigerator service of the railroads and the long growing season make truck farming highly profitable for the small land owner. It requires but a small area, and four months covers the time from planting until two crops are harvested.

Large profits can be realized on but a small outlay of capital.

WELCOME TO THE OKÉECHOBEE DISTRICT

GENERAL FARMING
MANY CROPS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
EXCELLENT TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

CITRUS FRUIT

Okeechobee possesses the finest soil in Florida for citrus fruits—oranges, grapefruit, lemons, tangerines, limes and kumquats. This industry has been on a commercial basis so long that producers have been able properly to organize the gathering, packing and shipping. Marketing is well taken care of, to the advantage of all growers.

Okeechobee has heavy bearing Tangelo trees, the "tangelo" being a new citrus fruit that is a cross between a tangerine and a grapefruit.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING OKÉECHOBEE LANDS ADDRESS

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completed, were a canal from the Gulf of Mexico and the waters of the Atlantic ocean on the east.

The patent to the Everglades was obtained on April 20, 1903, about the same time that Governor Jennings' message was submitted to the legislature, and systematic effort was made to put in tangible form the records of minutes of the Trustees by having 100 minutes printed, which had not theretofore been done and tables and maps showing the status of the fund, both in lands and money, which showed that the fund was really without money or lands; that the railroad legislative land-grant claimants were then all of the lands that the fund had or could become entitled to.

A sale was made by the Trustees to Neil G. Wade of approximately 100,000 acres of land, proceeds to be used for drainage work, which the railroad companies claimed belonged to them, and brought suit to recover the lands or the proceeds arising from the sale, claiming the lands as the property of the Trustees to sell the lands and use the proceeds for any other purpose than to turn the money over to the railroad claimants. This caused the Trustees to examine more particularly into their powers and duties relating to the management of the funds, which resulted in the Trustees propounding questions to Hon. D. U. Fletcher of the Jacksonville bar, Hon. R. W. Williams of the Tallahassee bar, and Hon. T. L. Clarke of the Monticello bar, asking for their written opinions on the subject, which were furnished in full, whereupon the same was answered in effect by all of them that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund are clothed with full power under the laws of Florida to sell the swamp and overflowed lands granted under the act of Congress of September, 1850, for

the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the laws on the subject. It were limited by the objects of the grants of the federal government of 1850 to drainage and reclamation of the swamp and overflowed lands.

This condition being presented to the Trustees of the Jennings administration caused them to make a comprehensive investigation into the whole subject matter and history of the Internal Improvement Fund, which had not theretofore been done and tables and maps published and statements prepared showing the status of all chartered railroad companies, of all land grants, of all lands conveyed to railroad companies and canal companies, the total acreage of the lands granted to Florida under the act of 1850 and before Judge Swayne, upon an application to enjoin the Trustees from the exercise of any discretion in the disposal of the lands, was the adoption by the Trustees of a resolution asserting a superior title to the lands in the fund over that of the railroad land-grant claimants under subsequent and residuary legislative enactments, and declaring it to be the fixed determination of the policy of the Trustees to defend the title to the lands for the purpose of performing the trust of drainage and reclamation.

During the early part of the year 1901 the representatives of various railroad companies made demand for hearings before the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to settle questions of priority between the railroad and railroad land-grant acts. The Trustees having arrived at the resolution above set forth, determined not to execute deeds under or by virtue of any railroad land-grant act of the legislature; and upon the announcement of this decision, numerous suits were instituted to compel the Trustees to execute deeds under and by virtue of the various land grants represented by the various railroad companies, and active litigation followed, beginning in the year 1902.

During the Jennings administration ending January 1, 1905, no deeds were executed by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund under and by virtue of any railroad land-grant acts, either voluntarily or under compulsion by the courts.

Contention of Trustees Sustained

The contention of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, based upon the decision of the Trustees in 1901, and observed by them subsequently, has been expressly sustained by the courts, and does not appear to be likely a question of controversy. The whole subject matter was resolved in one case, that of the Southern States Land Timber Co., the Consolidated Land Co., and other companies in the Everglades, and several controversies have between the officials of the land companies and the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund. These plans were merged in the subsequent settlements and plans for drainage followed by the subsequent administrations.

Began Actual Drainage

During the latter part of the Jennings administration, a comprehensive plan for the drainage of the Everglades was prepared and submitted to the officers of the Southern States Land & Timber Co., the Consolidated Land Co., and other companies owning great areas of land in the Everglades, and several controversies have between the officials of the land companies and the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund. These plans were merged in the subsequent settlements and plans for drainage followed by the subsequent administrations.

Governor Jennings' term expired on January 1, 1905, at which date Governor N. B. Broward was inaugurated. Within a few days thereafter former Governor Jennings was employed as general counsel of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.

Chamber Survey

Prior to the close of the Jennings administration the governor requested the Commissioner of Internal Improvement to make a plat or chamber survey of the Everglades, which was made and officially adopted by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund on the 2d day of January, 1905.

Drainage Work Under Broward

On September 21, 1905, Capt. J. O. Fries, civil engineer, reported to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund a preliminary survey of a route between Lake Okeechobee and the Atlantic ocean for the purpose

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And do not overlook the rapid strides we have made in growing the avocado, or "alligator pear," a fruit high in food value, that can be grown here almost as cheaply as apples and selling for as high as fifty cents apiece.

Nor the mango, "the apple of the tropics," choice specimens of which sell in northern markets for \$1.00 each. Bananas, paw-paws, guavas, persimmons, berries, melons and grapes are grown successfully and profitably.

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files of said agency.

On December 12, 1905, the route recommended by J. W. Newman, engineer, was adopted by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as the official route of the first drainage canal, from the mouth of Sabine creek, in section 19, township 50 south, range 42 east, following the Big Glades to the south end of Lake Okeechobee.

In a special message to the Legislature of Florida, in 1905, Governor Broward recommended the adoption of a drainage law, for the purpose of providing additional funds to insure the drainage and reclamation of the Everglades, some question being raised by the railroad land grant claimants as to the powers and duties of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to use the proceeds of the sales of Everglades lands for the purpose of drainage and reclamation at that time.

The Drainage Tax Law

Pending the litigation referred to between the railroad land grant claimants and the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as to the ownership of the Everglades, at the beginning of Governor Broward's administration, January, 1905, former Governor Jennings designed and prepared a drainage law defining a drainage area in the Everglades, and providing for an acreage tax of 5 cents per acre per annum, to be assessed against all of the lands in said drainage district, as an auxiliary or supplementary resource or fund to assure the drainage of the Everglades without regard to the ownership of the lands. This law was attacked as being unconstitutional, and during the lawsuit a great volume of testimony was taken touching the feasibility and practicability of the drainage law.

Second. The additional source of revenue provided by the enactment of the drainage law, included a tax on the acre included in the drainage district of 5 cents per acre per annum, furnished an annual net revenue of approximately \$200,000.

After the enactment of the drainage law, and in the ensuing litigation, the most difficult problem and matter from the state's standpoint was the all-around attitude in the courts on behalf of the complainants seeking to enjoin the collection of the tax and to have the drainage law declared unconstitutional, the effect that the state authorities did not have sufficient technical information touching the feasibility and practicability of the drainage of the Everglades to sustain a special assessment and the expenditure of public money.

Practicability of Drainage

To meet this charge the state officials, through Governor Broward, applied to the Secretary of Agriculture for assistance in the matter of designating a competent, expert drainage engineer to investigate the question of the feasibility and practicability of the drainage of the Everglades, to be taken into the levels and made such examination as was found necessary for this purpose, having in view the necessity of obtaining, to meet this allegation of the complainants' bills, as well as for the use of the state engineer in charge of the drainage of the Everglades, to take the most reliable and competent information which could be procured. The Secretary of Agriculture considered the request favorably and ordered the investigation to be made through the Office of Experiment Stations, Irrigation and Drainage Investigations, Elwood Meade, chief, by J. O. Wright, supervising drainage engineer.

During his administration Governor Broward was a forceful champion and advocate of the drainage and reclamation of the Everglades, and devoted great effort and much ability to the work, and did his associate Trustees, the Trustees during the Broward administration caused to be constructed the dredge Everglades, which was launched at Fort Lauderdale on the 4th day of July, 1906; also the dredge Okeechobee, which was launched during the month of October, 1906. The dredges Caloosahatchee and Miami were constructed under contracts let by the Broward administration on August 17, 1908. The Caloosahatchee was launched in March, 1909.

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bility of drainage. The United States court having ruled against the constitutionality of the law, an amendment thereto was drafted by former Governor Jennings, which was enacted by the legislature and approved May 28, 1907. This amended act was sustained by the decision of the United States circuit court and the United States circuit court of appeals, and the litigation was then amicably settled between the litigants and the State Board of Drainage Commissioners resulting in the appointment of J. O. Wright, chief drainage engineer, and the Furt-Clark Construction Co. contractors for the drainage of the Everglades.

It will therefore be observed that the drainage of the Everglades had two separate and distinct sources of revenue providing for the carrying on of the work of reclamation:

First. The Everglades lands were owned and controlled by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, who were authorized and fully empowered under the act of January 1855, to sell such lands and apply the proceeds therefrom to the purpose of drainage and reclamation. The drainage canals and other works which have been provided by the Internal Improvement Fund, out of the proceeds of the sale of the Everglades lands are properly within their powers and duties conferred on them by the acts of the legislature and the act of Congress of 1855.

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We deeply appreciate the patriotic action of the first three men who by the people of the Lake Okeechobee district and will never be found wanting when a progressive movement for the good of this country is being launched.

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It is the home merchant that supports every worthwhile movement and enterprise for the good of the country in which you live and where your investments are located.

At Moore Haven on the west side, The Port Mayaca townsite has not been put on sale; lots there will be good buys when the property is announced.

Prospective buyers should be warned that small farm tracts in the prairie and marshy sections of South Florida, because the land is drought at one time and flooded at another unless there is a long established and well-tended drainage system, which few of them possess. The drainage conditions are better in the Lake Okeechobee prairie region, where the dike and pump system is used.

This is a transition period in all South Florida. Even when properties are in the hands of well-financed individuals or companies that are doing development work it is better not to buy raw farm land. No isolated or detached tract is as good value as a tract in a development or a sub-district. The time that is to be made in this region for the next few years will be made from production, not from speculation. There is no prospect of increase in real estate values except in the areas in which there is production.

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of growth is further shortened by the fact that vegetation grows faster in muck soil than in other types of soil. The staple crops of the upper Everglades are vegetables that encounter less competition in markets than any other form of agricultural products, this because of the climate of the region.

Most of the people who live in the upper Everglades used to

Scene At Standard Boatways In Okeechobee



Boat building, general marine engine work and boat repair work of course go hand in hand with the busy fishing industry on Lake Okeechobee.

What was originally known and organized as the Bass Fish Company in 1912 and is now known as the Standard Fisheries, is one of several concerns that do a big business in the dressed fish business at Okeechobee.

This firm has to its credit the shipping of as high as 151,557 barrels of fish in a single month from their Okeechobee packing house.

A most important side issue today is what is known as the Standard Boatways Company, which industry developed from the fisheries concern starting this equipment on a smaller

scale some few years ago

in order to be able to handle re-

pairs

on their own large fleet of boats.

Soon the demand for this work was such that it was deemed advisable to enlarge the plant in order that all Lake Okeechobee boat work might be taken care of and the business expanded still more. Today they are taking care of an enormous amount of such work.

This includes general repair work, the handling and installation of marine engines, marine engine repair work, general marine supplies, welding, blacksmith work, etc.

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CLEWISTON

"There Is Nothing Just Like Clewiston In Florida Today"

Clewiston, triumphant after the severest test, has ceased to be a "project".

It has become a great outstanding achievement.

SOME persons who read this know all about Lake Okeechobee, on which Clewiston is located, and about the reclaimed upper Everglades. Some others know a little about them and many have only the vaguest ideas of what these vast, rich farmlands, slowly coming under reclamation, are like.

The first group there who know this wonderful section of Florida thoroughly know all about Clewiston and know that it justifies its slogan, "There is nothing else just like Clewiston in Florida today."

To the other two groups—even those who have seen the Everglades; even those who visited Clewiston months ago—this city building for agriculture and industry presents some remarkable characteristics, especially in the light of recent events.

In no way is the real status of Clewiston in the upper Everglades made so manifest as in this one fact: in ten days of continuous rain, in a period of exceptionally heavy rainfall—perhaps before—large quantities of beans sown this fall in drained, dry muck soil, will be going from Clewiston to the high priced markets of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati and other great cities.

Fresh peaches, lima beans and other green food are growing NOW in Clewiston soil because effective, successful drainage systems stand the test of the elements—because the kind of drainage that has been established at

Clewiston at vast expense has "proved up." And this is only the forerunner of far greater things, the Clewiston farm area, adjoining Clewiston, with its thousands of acres of rich, black muck soil being also drained dry and available for agriculture.

The first farms make Clewiston a great thing for the upper Everglades, because they demonstrate in the one that really can be done, that this wonderfully rich area can be drained and made available for agriculture.

It is a point of considerable importance with regard to Clewiston and the Clewiston Farms drainage system, fundamental for drainage upon the state levees around Lake Okeechobee. Both Clewiston and Sugarland sub-districts are separate and distinct drainage operations, laid out and conducted by a widely known firm of drainage engineers. The districts have their own sturdy system of levees and canals.

Bearing all this in mind the observer and investigator finds in Clewiston and the engineering back of it the features that "stand up."

And these things are mighty important. Given adequate and successful drainage and WATER CONTROL, such as the Clewiston and Clewiston Farms drainage operations provide, the old hazards of flood and drought that have plagued Everglades farmers for years disappear. The dream of wide spreading, prosperous farm lands ceases to be a dream and becomes a reality.

Again, however, that is only a beginning. Add to the splendid basis of drainage—actually drained—muck land

the notable industrial plans at Clewiston, plus its splendid strategic position as resort and health resort, with respect to transportation and new highways, and there is absolute justification to any observer in the Clewiston slogan, "There is nothing else just like Clewiston in Florida today."

Nothing could be sounder than those industrial plans. They root down into the soil, to begin with—a great foundation. They call for the cultivation of 15,000 acres of sugar cane interests associated with the Clewiston Company, and establish a plant of great sugar mills. The fibrous residue of ground sugar cane, bagasse, is the raw material for celotex, a widely used insulating lumber, and the same interests plan to erect a celotex unit at Clewiston as soon as a steady supply of this bagasse becomes available.

The value to a new city of such industrial plans is apparent when they are carried out—they bring two things—a swiftly growing population of workers and the steady prosperity afforded any community by a weekly payroll.

The natural beauty of Clewiston may be further enhanced by its model city plan; the sport for the fisherman and hunter offered by Lake Okeechobee and the surrounding Glades provide other features to attract visitors and settlers. Railroad facilities, water transportation and new highways well on toward completion add to the desirability of Clewiston as a place to live, to farm, to play or to work.

All this is stated with a particular end in view—to have YOU come to Clewiston now and "See it for Yourself." Every visitor becomes a booster.

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From The Florida Engineer and Contractor.

By Lieutenant-Colonel Gilbert A. Youngberg, U. S. A., Retired
Consulting Engineer; formerly U. S. District Engineer for the
Peninsula of Florida.

Recent events have focused attention on the recurring Everglades drainage problem. In some quarters the State authorities have been held responsible for the disaster incident to the tropical hurricane of September last. In others, the Federal authorities have been held at fault. Some have held that the dual control exercised by the State and the War Department is a condition of unavoidable conflict. Some have accused the War Department of "hardboiled" interference in State affairs under the pretext of maintaining the navigable capacity of Lake Okeechobee and its tributaries. Some have advocated vesting the State of all control and others again wish the War Department entirely eliminated from the situation.

While many feel called upon to express themselves on the subject, few have chosen to inform themselves on all phases thereof. People generally seem to be ignorant of the exact nature and extent of the jurisdiction exercised by the War Department and advocate measures which they claim cannot be adopted. They argue that because the United States as such is engaged in irrigating certain lands or protecting others from overflow, it may enter upon the drainage of the Everglades. In view of the confusion of ideas, the legal aspects of the case warrant some discussion.

The powers of the species of the Federal Government are obviously governed by the laws of Congress, and these, in turn, must conform to the Constitution of the United States. The latter instrument is one of delegated powers and reserves to the several States all rights, duties and responsibilities not expressly delegated to the Federal Government. To illustrate, the Constitution authorizes Congress to establish postoffices and postroads but it makes no provision for draining swamp or overflowed lands. The United States can therefore extend Federal aid in the construction of roads in the several states but apparently cannot assist those states in drainage operations. However, as a proprietor, it can, of course, improve its own properties. Hence, in those parts of the United States where the Federal Government is engaged in irrigation or drainage operations the work is limited to lands owned by the United States itself, the so-called "public lands." The rights of the United States to improve these lands by irriga-

tion Lake Okeechobee with the upland reaches of the Caloosahatchee river in vicinity of LaBelle. Hence, not being an owner, the United States cannot now undertake to drain the Everglades and, as stated, there is no law or provision in the United States which may undertake such operations.

Although the Federal Constitution makes no provision for drainage it does contain a clause, generally known as the Interstate Commerce Clause, which reads as follows: "The Congress shall have power *** to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several States, and with the Indian tribes." (Article I, Sec. 8, Clause 3.) This is the clause under which the Interstate Commerce Commission functions and from it the War Department derives its jurisdiction in respect of the protection and preservation of the navigable waters of the United States. From this depends, in the last analysis, the right of the Federal Government to undertake operations looking to flood control and, presumably, the Congress could, in its discretion, undertake works designed to protect the shores of Lake Okeechobee against floods. It

could doubtless undertake the operation of flood control works for the protection of the Caloosahatchee valley if it had been authorized by a special study of this last question and a preliminary report on flood control in the Caloosahatchee valley will

soon be before Congress. However, neither navigation nor flood control is synonymous with drainage. The two former may possibly be accomplished by Federal agencies without any material improvement in drainage conditions.

In view of the constitutional limitations placed upon Congress, it is futile to look to the United States to undertake the drainage of the Everglades. This, if it is to be done at all, must be done by the Everglades Drainage District either in its present

form or as it may be extended and reorganized. Possibly the state of Florida, as such, should undertake the work which, undoubtedly, would result in a benefit to the entire state.

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Of the 18 principal field crops produced in
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These 13, in the order of their yield, were:

Celery, \$750; Green Beans, \$600; Lima
Beans, \$500; Japanese Cane, \$400; Peanuts, \$400;
Tomatoes, \$400; English Peas, \$400; Egg Plant,
\$400; Onions, \$300; Peppers, \$400; Cabbage,
\$300; Irish Potatoes, \$200, and Watermelons,
\$200.

The crops falling below \$200 per acre in
value were:

Lettuce, \$171; Field Peas, \$130; Sugar Cane
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EVERGLADES AND WAR DEPARTMENT

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For a better understanding of the situation as now exists, it may be worth while to review in greater detail certain circumstances connected with the control exercised by the War Department. As already stated, that jurisdiction grows out of the Interstate Commerce Clause of the Constitution. It applies only to navigable waters of the United States. The Federal Courts have in a number of instances defined such waters substantially as follows: "A river is navigable in law when it is navigable in fact, and it is navigable in fact when it is used, or is susceptible of being used in its ordinary condition as a highway for commerce over which trade and travel may be conducted in the customary modes of trade and travel of water."

"A river, or other waterway, that lies wholly within the limits of a State, and has no navigable connection with any navigable waters outside the boundaries of the State is a navigable water of the State, subject to regulation and control by State laws and does not come within the jurisdiction of Congress by virtue of the laws enacted by Congress for the preservation and protection of navigable waters of the United States.

"A river, or other waterway, constitutes a navigable water of the United States, within the meaning of the aforesaid acts of Congress, when it is used, in itself or uniting with other waters, a continuous highway over which trade and travel is or may be conducted between the States themselves, or between the states and foreign countries." (The Daniel Ball Case-10 Wallace, 537.)

The first test of the navigability of a stream does not depend upon the manner of mode by which commerce is or may be conducted, nor upon the difficulties attending navigation. * * *

"The capability of use by the public for purposes of transportation and commerce affords the first test of the navigability of a river, rather than the extent and manner of that use. If it be capable in its natural state of being used for purposes of commerce, no matter in what mode the commerce may be conducted, whether in vessels propelled by steam, wind, oars, or poles, the river becomes a public highway." (The Montello Case-20 Wallace, 430.)

The jurisdiction of the United States extends to Lake Okeechobee, the Kissimmee river, and other streams tributary to the Lake by virtue of the fact that it is connected with the Everglades, the Lake and the Caloosahatchee river in the vicinity of Labelle, were connected by water. This connection was exceedingly devious and much obstructed, by vegetation, but the Judge Advocate General of the Army on one or two occasions, in his opinion, held that the waterway was in fact navigated by the Indians in their "dugout" canoes. The State authorities have sometimes disputed the validity of the evidence, but have never gone into court in an attempt to get a judicial determination of the law, and the facts. The facts here set out in quotation marks seem to be particularly apropos: "It is not to be understood however, that every ditch or inlet in which the tide ebbs and flows, nor every small creek in which a fishing skiff or gumming canoe can be made to float at high water is a navigable water, but to give it the character of a navigable stream it must be generally and commonly useful to some purpose of trade or agriculture." (21 Pickering, 344 and The Montello Case-20 Wallace, 430.)

And yet if it should be decided that the waterways connecting the Everglades with the upper Caloosahatchee river was in fact navigable in its natural state of being used for purposes of commerce, the War Department would still have a certain jurisdiction over Lake Okeechobee,

for the lowering of the lake would be prohibited by Section 10 of the River and Harbor Act of 1889. Among other things this section declares that "It shall not be lawful to alter or modify the natural capacity of any lake." It has never been held that Lake Okeechobee with its drainage area was, and still is, the source of a large part of the flow in the Caloosahatchee river and it cannot be doubted that the lowering of the lake level would substantially affect the navigable capacity of the stream. The courts have held that "anything whatever done or however done, within the limits of the jurisdiction of the United States which tend to destroy the navigable capacity of one of the navigable waters of the United States is within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States."

Moreover, the State authorities have accorded several successive permits issued by the War Department and have thus virtually asserted the jurisdiction exercised by the latter. (See foot-note.)

It is, nevertheless, possible that Congress may be prepared to regulate the waterway between Lake Okeechobee and the lower Caloosahatchee river a non-navigable stream of the United States. I recall one instance in which Congress did pass such an act. Such legislation would, however, destroy in a legal sense, the waterway which connects the ocean with the Kissimmee river and other tributaries of the Lake. They would become navigable waters of the State and Congress would be delared from making further appropriations for their improvement.

It may be contended that there is no point in proposing the regulation of Lake Okeechobee and its tributaries if such preservation will result in maintaining the Everglades region as a wilderness. With the exception of the fishing industry, there can be no commerce and therefore no necessity for navigation. The water is to be drained and made into a pastoral state. The value of the region from an agricultural standpoint may be such as to justify the State in requesting Congress to divest itself of its jurisdiction over the waters of the Everglades territory. The point is well worth consideration.

That the necessities of the drainage situation have received careful consideration by the War Department is evidenced by the permit most recently issued to the Everglades Drainage District. The permit in question is based on a draft prepared by myself after consultation with public hearings conducted in Moore Haven in February, 1925. That hearing was attended by representatives of all interests who expressed their views in detail. The instrument grants a privilege, it does not convey an order. It is permissive but not compulsory.

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Upper—Bean Field. Lower—Avocado Grove.

"An earthly paradise" is the term which the Turner & Gwin property on Kraemer Island is frequently described. Kraemer is one of the four uninhabited islands in Lake Okeechobee. A portion of Kraemer Island is bordered on the lake side and the interior is filled

in Lake Okeechobee, and will not cause appreciable interference with navigation. For the administration of this island a gauge established and maintained by the United States Engineer Department at Moore Haven, Florida, shall govern in the measurement of the Lake levels.

Now, it is by no means certain that the minimum requirement of the drainage plan outlined will conflict with the best agricultural interests of the region. It is hard to believe now that there can ever be too little water in the Big Lake. It, nevertheless, is possible to lower the waters in Lake Okeechobee to destructive levels. It is possible to lower the water table underlying the surface of the agricultural areas so that the latter will experience all the evils of a drought. Many who are now complaining that the State authorities are keeping the water in Lake Okeechobee at too high a level were instrumental in having the case argued in the courts to the effect that the same authorities were keeping it at too low a level.

The truth of the matter is that the drainage control works have not yet been brought to a point where they can discharge the cumulative "run-off" in a cycle of wet years, such as we have had. The water is rising. Furthermore, whatever may eventually be possible in preventing extreme high waters, the State will never be able to prevent the Lake sinking to low levels after a cycle of dry years. In a dry cycle, evaporation will exceed inflow and the State will be faced with one of flood control only. It involves irrigation as well as drainage and those who have it under consideration must take a long view of the situation and not base their con-

tractors in great numbers; the contractors will drive out into the country; they will come in the winter when the south end of the lake are green and the produce is being picked and marketed. The visitors will be enraptured by what they see—they will see the merit of the country as a business proposition and they will be prospective buyers of property. There will always be a market for real estate in a producing region such as this. That is another reason why real estate here is a good buy right now.

A. S. WHEELER FARM

An example of what can be done with Everglades farming may be found in a visit to the A. S. Wheeler farm at Belle Glade, which is a wonderful sight at this time of the year. Growing crops everywhere. Mr. Wheeler, originally from Chicago, bought land here as early as ten years ago. Where his land was valued at that time at \$99 an acre, he values it now at \$1,500 an acre. He has fifty acres planted to beans, peas, tomatoes and peppers. His last crop of beans was an average of 50 bushels to the acre and brought an average net price of \$2.50 per hamper net.

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"Game, ducks and quail, and fish have been plentiful, and many Moore Haven citizens have been feasting upon these things during the past two weeks," the Glades County Democrat reports, adding: "The

catches of fish have been remarkable. O. C. Bowbow and J. Ed. Prierson caught as high as 240 pounds of bass on a hook and line with five bait in a single day. These were sold at good prices to C. C. Gant who shipped them.

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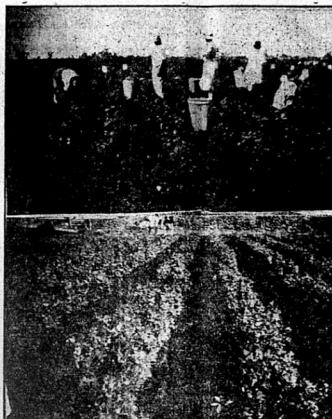
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Upper—Picking beans on the Stephens Farm at Chosen. Lower—Field of English Peas on Wheeler Farm.

HART FARMS

Hart Farms consists of about one thousand acres on the southeast side of Lake Okeechobee. The main farm of three hundred acres on the lake shore just south of the Hillsboro canal is operated by H. H. Hart and his son, L. J. Hart, and several families of share croppers.

One cropper who came on the place in September of last year sold over \$1,900 worth of string beans before he had been on the place over ninety days.

While nearly all varieties of vegetables and flowers have been tried out on the place and most of them with remarkable success, the market garden is mostly confined to peas, beans, peppers, egg plant, potatoes, lima beans, carrots, turnips, beets, lettuce, onions, cucumbers, sweet corn, cabbage and tomatoes.

All farm crops that can be raised anywhere in the United States can be raised to best advantage except wheat, oats, barley, rye and cotton. The soil is too rich for these crops. Why grow them anyway? They can be raised elsewhere.

Hart Farms confines its winter crops to such as are luxuries in the north in the winter. Two thousand eight hundred and eighteen dollars was realized from one picking of three acres of string beans last winter.

Between four and five hundred thousand beautiful carrots were raised to the acre on this farm last winter and many tons of them were given away on the streets of Miami as an advertisement for Everglades carrots.

The six acre plots on the farm are run almost continuously and very little work is done by hand except in harvesting. The ground is fitted and planted and crops cultivated, sprayed and dusted all by machinery. Even the tomatoes, peppers, eggplant and cabbage are set by a tractor-drawn planter.

During the next sixty days H. H. Hart and M. W. Hart, together with one family of share croppers and one hired man part-time, have prepared the ground, planted and brought nearly to maturity two hundred acres of the finest truck crops that can be found anywhere. (This is written December 7.)

C. L. WILDER DRUG STORE AT PAHOKEE SERVES WIDE AREA

While still comparatively new and yet sparsely settled, the Everglades region boasts a number up-to-date mercantile establishments, including every branch of small mercantile lines.

Among the leaders and one that is particularly well known and well-located is what is known as Wilder's Wilder Drug Company of Pahokee, formerly the Spooner drug store.

This business is located within a radius of many miles; it follows that it caters to a big area and a big trade. Here is well stocked modern up-to-date pharmaceuticals which the city may be proud. All kinds of drugs, sundries, stationery, novelties, school supplies etc. are in evidence at prices that compare well with any of like business in the state, larger cities, in fact.

WOMAN FROM CITY FINDS HAPPINESS IN EVERGLADES

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eeded and during her stay has ever taken a keen interest in everything pertaining to agricultural development as well as the community life of Belle Glade. One of her first acts was the leasing of the Belle Glade Hotel, a land mark and always known as the headquarters for strangers. She remodeled and renovated the hotel giving it the conveniences accorded the guests in larger towns and at the same time maintaining a real home-like old fashioned atmosphere which is appreciated by the many who have occasion to be the guests of the hotel. Under her management the hotel has prospered greatly before and is one of the best advertisements that Belle Glade has. Among the tourists, traveling men, sportsmen etc., this hostelry is fast gaining popularity.

Her dining room is her especial pride. Her aim is to serve the very best that the market affords, prepared in the correct way by a real culinary artist.

Mrs. Hess, the manager, who supervises the kitchen and dining room, is originally from New York, where she has had many years of experience catering to the trade in the shape of exclusive hotel and tea-room service.

As active overseer and manager of the hotel Mrs. Hess has engaged the services of another Miss Estelle Hartman and a most able manager, Miss Starr Carr. Miss Carr is to be found on the job most anytime looking after the comfort of the guests.

Mrs. Hess left for her Christmas vacation in Chicago, her mother's home, about a week ago, and with her she carries personal knowledge of this wonderful farming country. She has visited people and she has gained first hand knowledge of the products of the Everglades soils. To use her own words, "I am 'sold on the country' and I mean to sell the idea to others to bring others down into this natural paradise that Providence has seen fit to bestow on us for our work and our pleasure, and I mean to help create at Belle Glade a city worthy of the name."

To construct, create, to build large, strong buildings, a better foundation is her hobby and her life work. Mrs. Hess is also interested in other real estate work but today has confined her operations exclusively to the handling of farm lands.

Opposite there is the cigar and tobacco counter and an up-to-the-minute soda fountain for the convenience of the patrons.

The business is owned and operated by C. L. Wilder, business man and farmer, who has lived here for the past seven years and counts among his personal friends every man, woman and child in the district.

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(By Secretary Lewis of I. L. Board)

Big Mound Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Cape Satchee Improvement District, Glades county, Charlotte county, Hendry county, Fort Myers, Fla.

Clewiston Drainage District, Glades county, Moore Haven, Fla.

Clemont Special Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Davie-Farms Sub Drainage District, Dade county, Miami, Fla.

Dixton Island Drainage District, Glades county, Moore Haven, Fla.

Eagle Bay Drainage District, Okeechobee county, Okeechobee, Fla.

East Marsh Drainage District, Broward county, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Gladeview Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Highland-Glades Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Homestead Sub-Drainage District, Dade county, Miami, Fla.

Indian Prairie Sub-Drainage District, Highlands county, Sebring, Fla.

Jaudon Drainage District, Dade and Monroe counties.

Lake Worth Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Lake Worth Inlet District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Beach, Fla.

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Loughman Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Loxahatchee Sub-Drainage District, Palm Beach county, Moore Haven, Fla.

Moore Haven Drainage District, Glades county, Moore Haven, Fla.

Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, Broward county, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

New River Drainage District, Broward county, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Pahokee Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Palm Beach Drainage and Highway Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Pelican Lake Sub-Drainage District, Palm Beach county, West Palm Beach, Fla.

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Why Muck Soils Are Best For Trucking**Ability To Absorb Rainfall and Hold Moisture Are Important Factors**

Muck soil is made up of many minute cells. Sand is composed of larger cells. The difference in character makes a difference in quality and action. It leads many experienced Florida truck

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Muck soils absorb water, the water being held in the cells; the muck is often described as "spongy" and the term is not altogether wrong. The grains of sand do not have this quality.

In consequence of its character muck soil withstands heavy rains well.

Moisture is well retained in muck soil and is given out on the demand of vegetation. Crops

have been grown in the Everglades without a drop of rain having fallen. If this seems singular it should be recalled that beans require only 45 to 70 days to come to maturity from the time of planting. Dew is heavy in the winter and moisture is thus afforded.

The drainage system, and particularly the pumping systems, hold the water table to the level desired, excess water being pumped out.

The heaviest rains come in the winter and the winter season is known as the dry season. This enables growers to plant and harvest in the muck, even if rainfall is deficient, in the season of best prices.

Sand land tends to get dry in the winter months.

Before you care to head to any unfavorable publicity broadcast regarding this district make a personal investigation.

Welcome to the Florida Everglades, the greatest truck farming country of the United States. As yet the surface has been but scratched. There is room for you here.

And as to pleasure and recreation, the Lake Okeechobee country can not be excelled. Fishing, hunting, boating, sailing, tennis, golf, swimming, and lake front scenes and all else that goes to make residence or a short stay pleasant. Route your vacation trip through this section.

During the noon hour the weather forecast and concert from Miami are listened to over the radio, and during the evening meal the dinner concert from

Pittsburg and later the market towns which are carefully noted. During the winter evenings there are over one hundred stations all over the United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba to choose from.

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Big Potato and Cabbage Crops Put East Beach on the Map

By giving publicity to a big potato crop grown on the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee in the winter of 1916-17, Joe L. Earman of West Palm Beach did more than any other one man to "open up" East Beach, according to J. R. Poland of Pahokee, and Mr. Poland ought to know, for he was the man who raised the crop without which there could not have been any newspaper stories. The potato crop attracted widespread attention through articles in the Palm Beach Post, published by a company of which Mr. Earman was president. Mr. Earman is now publisher of the Palm Beach Independent.

The first settlers on the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee were fishermen and they gave the name "East Beach" to the localities in which Canal Point and Pahokee have since come into being. There was no post office on this side of the lake and not enough population to warrant the use of an agent except a most grueling one such as "East Beach." On the northwest shore of the lake is Bare

Beach; another part of the lake, where now is Ritter and Bare Beach, was known as "Little Bare Beach."

One of the fishermen on East Beach was Adam Heyne. In the spring of 1915 he planted half an acre of land to onions and the yield was at the rate of a thousand bushels per acre. This was the first real crop raised in this section of the Everglades. Prior to that there were gardens from which fishermen gathered vegetables that they took to Okeechobee for sale to retail stores but trucking had not been engaged in as a commercial proposition. The potato crop was planted and made about the yield of the patch of onions. Mr. Heyne filled a 32-quart hamper of onions without moving from his tracks, and the onions were that thick and large. The onions were grown on the land where Mr. Poland's dwelling house and garage now stands.

The potato crop that put East Beach on the map was grown in the winter of 1916-17, the first planting being on the last day

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FARMING TAUGHT AS VOCATION

School At Canal Point Intended As Agency of Real Service

IN CONNECTION WITH LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL

Set of Buildings Increased In Number and Size From Year To Year

By H. L. Speer, Principal

The first school to be opened in the East Beach section of Lake Okeechobee was held in a little house just south of Earman's which was donated for the purpose by G. A. Watkins. The attendance was small, as there were no roads and most of the children lived at more or less isolated fish camps, and were brought to school in boats when the weather was good and naturally when the water was bad they remained at home.

The school was operated as a one-teacher school in the original building for several terms, and later was held in the building now used by the Baptist congregation just south of the Bass Lumber Company's building.

The school remained a one-teacher school until the 1921-22 term, when two teachers became necessary.

The effect of communication

routes with the more developed parts of the state is readily seen in the rapid increase in school population at this point. Consequently the highway promised easy access to the east and west of getting the Florida East Coast railroad built to the lake gave added impetus to the settlement of the fertile lands of this section.

In 1922 the citizens of Canal Point realized that better schools were important factors if they were to develop. The community continued to grow so fast it was donated by a number of men for the purpose of developing an agricultural vocational school, to be operated under the Smith-Hughes law.

The board of public instruction of Palm Beach county applied for \$10,000 and a brick school building was erected in 1922. Four teachers were required for that term to care for the increasing enrollment.

The opening of a Smith-Hughes school for teaching vocational agriculture was not practical then on account of the lack of a sufficient number of boys. For some ten years no one attended school, so this department was not added until the beginning of the 1925-26 term. There were six teachers beside the principal that term and the total enrollment for the year went to 160. A new building including an agricultural class room and a work shop was erected and a course in general truck crop production was taught.

During the spring term a lathe house was built for the use of a class in plant production, as the school expects to emphasize nursery work and plans to make

Good Town At Canal's Point on Lake Was Foreseen Early

The Canal Point post office was established in 1917 and that can fairly be taken as the date of the founding of the town, for until that time there were not enough people to constitute even a community. No resident had a telephone.

Fixing the name for the post office seems to have been done by a post office inspector and probably was selected because it was the point or location at which a canal was dug eastward from Lake Okeechobee.

Actually there is no point or promontory.

A. G. Watkins, L. N. Simon and platted a portion of their land and designated it as "New townsite" but for a reason unknown to residents the name Nemaha was not acceptable to the post office officials.

Percy J. Platt, who now lives at Sarasota, was the first postmaster.

He had come to the eastern shore of the lake in 1916 when Thomas W. Jones was in his employ when Mr. Jones moved a houseboat into the canal and started a restaurant. Tom Jones, originally from Sarasota, was running a restaurant at Okeechobee, at the head of the lake, and the information given him by the commercial fishermen led him to look on this section as a field for business in his line. He got here some time in 1916. As more people came in and business picked up he built a house on the canal bank and transferred his business to it, the old houseboat being used as sleeping quarters.

There never was a time when the persons who knew of Canal Point did not think well of it. The canal (West Palm Beach Canal) was completed in 1916 (ten years ago); that encouraged the belief there would be a good town. The late Captain Hiram Hammonton had come out from West Palm Beach and cleared land and was preparing to farm on a large scale and W.

C. Cason, of New York, N. Y., was projecting an immense agricultural development; these circumstances supported the expectation that an important center would be created. The immunity from frost in 1917 when orange trees were frozen at Miami made the country on the eastern shore of the lake appear to have distinct climatic

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having for its object the further progress of this district always has his support. The store in point of goods does a credit to either of much larger concerns. Here all can find furniture, hardware, building supplies, paints, oils, etc., farm implements, planers, dredges, boats, tackle, planters, dredges, and many other farm and garden necessities. A particular specialty is the Coleplanters, which are especially well adapted to the soils here.

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As far as eye can

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Turn the mellow soil

To the fragrant air.

The song of the tractor

Is heard in every hand,

The polished planes and revolving disk

Through the farmland.

At last, need it come:

Hot for the fertile soil.

The refreshing dew;

And ribbons of vivid green.

The black soil soon is lost to view

'Neath its mantle of living green.

Cultivating is easily done,

Then comes the harvest home.

GEIGER'S GARAGE

Another example of success achieved in the Everglades is Geiger's Garage, located on Conner's Highway at Canal Point. Very convenient stop for the Woodsman Inn, the garage is owned and operated by V. D. Geiger, formerly connected with the auto department of A. H. Weller's Garage in Pahokee. Mr. Geiger is an able mechanic who has been following the work for eleven years. The garage is well equipped for general repair work on all kinds of cars and there is never so large or too complicated a job to receive prompt attention. Mr. Geiger started this business in January of 1926. He came from West Palm Beach where he had previously been engaged in like work. He has been successful and we are glad to commend him to all who may require services of the character he renders.

R. M. BAKER AND THE P. O. NEWS STAND

This review of those who have weathered the storms of the early years and have been instrumental in building here would indeed be incomplete without mention of R. M. Baker of Canal Point, owner of the Post Office News Stand and the largest news stand in the county. His enterprise, which includes a news stand in the ordinary sense as well as stock also include an array of confectionery, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, tobacco, soft drinks, school supplies, stationery and office supplies, a line of staple drugs. The town not having a drug store, Baker's drug store department supplies a distinct need.

Mr. Baker seems in prospect the growth of this region, located here and has been instrumental in building here.

Palm Beach, where for six years he was connected with leading merchants.

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Formerly one of the business men

who have made a success in the Everglades and who has weathered the

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leading merchant in the county.

Mr. Knight of Canal Point, Mr. Knight

settled in Palm Beach County about 17

years ago, coming from Glenville,

West Virginia, and engaged in business.

For two years he was in the

grocery business at West Palm Beach.

Hearing of the opportunities afforded

by the Everglades, he decided to

invest at Canal Point. He came here

with the idea of farming but soon real-

ized that more profitable lines were

possible. After a period of time he

began to sell general merchandise.

Four years ago he built up one of

the best general stores in this section

and numbers among his friends and cus-

tomers are those in the local Canal Point

people but also those of many mills ad-

joining.

Mr. Knight carries a stock of gen-

eral merchandise, hardware, feed,

fruits, vegetables, wearing apparel

for men and women and shoes for the

whole family. He attends to the business

himself and through the action of much overhead expense is enabled to

sell the highest grade goods at exception-

ally low prices. The Knight store is

TATON MOTOR COMPANY

The late Mr. Taton, of Lake Worth, official Ford's dealer, report exceedingly bright. They have many friends in the Everglades country and have probably placed more cars and tractors here than any other single firm.

They are especially well equipped in their Lake Worth headquarters for every service, where they have installed a modern and up to date equipment in their spacious garage and where they maintain offices, sales rooms and warehouse. The brothers, I. I. Taton and Ira J. Taton, left Lake Worth in 1924. At this time they also invested in Everglades lands two hundred acres of which still own an idea of farms and ranches. It is evident from the fact that this firm alone has delivered to Everglades farmers as many as forty tractors in a single

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SOUTHLAND HOTEL IN OKEECHOBEE

**BIG TOWN ON LAKE WAS
EARLY FORESEEN**

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advantages. The boom was supported by the beginning of construction of the Florida Sugar & Food Products Company's sugar mill two miles east of Canal Point.

It now appears that although the possibilities of the country were not over-estimated, there was under-estimation of the time required to develop the market to support the drainage facilities. Construction of the spillway lock in the canal was under way in 1917 when the Canal Point post office was established but the war delayed completion of St. Lucie canal, so the lake was not able to accommodate all of the water brought to it in 1922 and overflowed. This checked the growth of Canal Point as it checked the growth of all the Lake Okeechobee country but the residents' confidence in the final accomplishment of water control never flagged.

In the Canal Point district as elsewhere on the eastern and southern shores of the lake the prices of farms and land are based on the settlers' knowledge of the producing value; on this basis a value of \$400 to \$700 an acre was early established and this has stood as the current price. The tenacity with which the settlers cling to their property is evident in their willingness to sell at low prices when they have fixed as the value is an index to what values will be in the future, now that highways and a railroad have come and made the transportation facilities equal to the facilities of any other trucking section of the state.

Connors Highway was opened to traffic in July of 1924 but its benefits were not fully realized because state road No. 8, with which it connected at Okeechobee, was not completed. State road No. 8 is now in good condition and it and Connors Highway make a short route across the state. The Florida East Coast railroad got close enough to Canal Point in 1925 to begin handling shipments of vegetables. It is not pleasant to refer to the overflows of the lake which occurred in 1924 and 1926 but it is necessary to do so to explain why Canal Point and Pahokee did not grow earlier than the highway and the rail road got in. Likelihood of damage, even if the lake does not attain a high level, is reduced to a fraction by the existence of the railroad grade along the lake front at Canal Point and the construction of the dike and dam.

In the Pahokee and Belle Glade sub-drainage districts a district that embraces 6,000 acres including the townsite. As the columns of advertisements show, Canal Point has now advanced to a point where it is a real town, although it is not yet incorporated. In its position of a packing soil of exceptional merit it is particularly favored by Pahokee, Chosen, Belle Glade, South Bay, Ritta and other points on the eastern and southern shores of the lake. The peculiar distinction of Canal Point is that its territory is the site of the Florida Sugar and Food Products Company. As the farmers' and retail business men have been firm in their belief that all obstacles will be overcome, so have the stockholders in the sugar company stood staunch and persevered. Disasters that are inevitable to a pioneer industry in a new country have

been overcome and there has been accumulated a fund of experience that is a rich asset, for the experiences teach the means of avoiding trouble in the future. It is probably true that the trucking industry and the sugar industry are on a better foundation because of the experiences of the others. Whether there are in the future there will be skill with which to evade it.

For three years The Everglades News has printed weekly the daily readings of thermometers and rain gauges at stations under government supervision. These weather reports have dispelled many erroneous fictions about the climate of the Everglades. It is established as a fact that the climate of the Everglades is more than good—that it is excellent: the days are not as hot in summer as on the east coast and the nights are cool and dry. The rainfall is no more than 40 inches a year, or less than the average for all South Florida.

Canal Point is a ready-money town. Business slows down in the summer, for that is the season when the residents take their vacations, but there is always something doing. The tomato shipping season ends in June but another fair season starts at once. Preparation for the fall crop start in September, that is also the date of the opening of the commercial fishing season. With the opening of the duck hunting season the number of visitors to the lake increases rapidly. By March the bean shipping season begins again, and this merges into the season of marketing tomatoes. Along with these crops are sweet corn and field corn, okra (a profitable crop in the summer), potatoes, peppers and eggplants. Shipment of tomatoes from the evergreen plant ceases in March and that means the end of fruit from the lake region. April and May are the months in which tomatoes do best, and as the marketing continues into June, the ready-money period is lengthened.

FARMING TAUGHT AS VOCATION

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an effort to furnish ornamental plants for the beautification of our roads, canals and a public park besides doing considerable work along the line of drainage.

In the summer of 1926 another building was added, giving a larger room for the sixth and seventh grades and a large room for home economics and science, laboratory work and the old work shop was converted into a class room for an assistant primary teacher and a larger work shop was built.

The school term of 1926-27 opened with an enrollment of 175 pupils and a roster of nine teachers and although we lost a few pupils who moved away after the bad weather in September, the decrease was small. During the past month new pupils have been coming in each week and it is almost certain that the enrollment for the year will reach 200 in spite of the storms.

This term we have secured a school piano as a gift from the school board and much new equipment has been added. The high school will put on a very successful Halloween party and also put on a play that would have been a credit to any school. The proceeds from these affairs will be used to pay a court that can be used for both basketball and tennis. The court is now under con-

struction and should be completed by the time school opens after Christmas. The completion of this court will mean a lot to the school.

The agricultural department will give a course in horticultural practices with especial emphasis on plant propagation and a course in general truck crop production. The aims of this department are to stress the practical side of agriculture, developing the skill required in actual farming. Fertilizer practice, insect control, animal husbandry and stock judging, as well as farm carpentry and farm bookkeeping or accounting.

We are planning to let the world know how things grow at Canal Point at the Tampa Fair, February 1st, and at the Palm Beach county fair, March 1st, for those who take agriculture are expected to exhibit farm produce and attend both fairs.

The progress of a community is always reflected in the progress of its school; let's keep our school "humping" and watch the community follow.

**BANK OF PAHOKEE FIGURES
IN GLADES DEVELOPMENT**

While not the oldest bank in the county nor the largest in point of capital, the Bank of Pahokee is one of Florida's most successful financial institutions that has been highly regarded for its contributions to the prosperity and development of the district and is a bank which possesses the full confidence of the people in the region it serves.

Its growth, while not phenomenal, has been steady. The Bank of Pahokee originated in 1924 with a capital of \$15,000 by prominent local men among whom were Dr. W. H. Lair, Frank Franklin and Dr. D. S. Spooner, two men who have ever had their interests here and who possess the confidence of the people.

The bank has been a great asset to the town, a great aid to individuals and a decided factor in Everglades development in general. The quarterly statements show strength and increase, in 1925 the bank received a deposit of \$20,000 at the peak in June of 1926. present officers are W. H. Lair, president; D. S. Spooner, vice president, E. G. Kibbrell, cashier and active manager. Mr. Kibbrell has been connected with the bank since its organization and has brought the business through the depression. He was formerly located at Mariana, Florida, where he served with the First National Bank of Mariana as assistant cashier.

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(Capacity is Ten Tons Daily)

More and more industries and various enterprises are locating in the Everglades. One of the most busy firms at Canal Point is the Canal Point Ice Factory, which distributes its products in many varieties. Everglades points by auto, truck and boat. The industry being located at Canal Point is of particular service in the icing of fish during the big vegetable shipping season.

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LAKEVIEW LUNCH ROOM

A favorite eating place is the local and the transient public is the well known Lakeview Lunch Room at Canal Point, operated by C. H. DeLoach. This is one of the oldest places of its kind here that has been continually in business under the same ownership. When others left during the brief stay of the storm after the late storm, Mr. DeLoach stayed and continued serving the trade. Mr. DeLoach, always a local man, had ever a booster for the Everglades and was identified with the business life of this section for the past six years. When passing through and when you have occasion to stop at Canal Point, don't fail to call for directions leading you to the Lakeview Lunch Room.

W. A. ADAMS, THE BARBER

All lines of business in the Everglades are prospering and the business men are optimistic. It is well to instances of this in the case of the above agricultural development. Among the many Canal Point enterprises is W. A. Adams' Barbershop. Mr. Adams is well known as a tonsorial artist of ability. He has made good, and numbers among his friends and patrons all local people as well as the trade public and many persons from the adjoining districts. Mr. Adams came here three years ago from Alamo, Georgia where for some years he had been quite successful in his business. This is quite a group of former Georgia people in Canal Point, many of them from the Alamo section. Mr. Adams is generally known as "Lon's Shop." His place of business as "Lon's Shop." He and his friends are loyal boosters for the Everglades.

BOE'S RESTAURANT

Canal Point again has a first class restaurant—the famous Boe's Restaurant is again serving the public and under able and efficient management. During the winter of 1924 Mr. G. K. Green took this place over and commenced operating it, and in even this comparatively short space of time has been able to establish a fine and a growing trade. At her place one may be assured of a real home cooked meal and at fair prices. Mrs. Green is a widow and the bulk of the business and the preparation of the meals served and looks in person after the wants of her patrons. The restaurant is located on a hillside on Canal Highway near the lake front residence. When next in Canal Point don't forget to give this restaurant a call. They are of our people, people who believe in this country, the future and who mean to live or die with it.

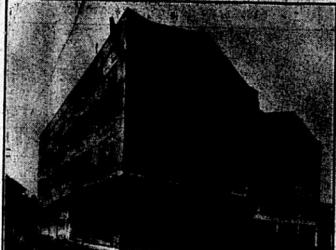
SANITARY MARKET AND GROCERY

One of the favorite shopping places for the people of Canal Point and adjoining territory is the Sanitary Market and grocery conducted by Messrs. W. C. Tedder and John Ritch at Canal Point under the name of the Sanitary Market. The reason for the name is that the name implies, as here with, that found a tempting array of all manner of staple and fancy groceries, fruits and vegetables, all carefully packed and cured meats displayed in an attractive manner. A high grade of merchandise is handled and the service is excellent. The idea is that the market affords at prices that will all neighboring town's and adjoining city competitive.

Mrs. Tedder and Ritch are personally on the job, giving the business and their patrons' wants their personal attention, thus eliminating much overhead cost that would be needed to serve the public with real high grade merchandise at the right prices.

W. J. LARRIMORE, PIONEER EVERGLADES MERCHANT

Among those of our business men who have weathered all the storms and trials and tribulations that this region has been heir to and have done much to further the progress of this country, prominent stands the name of W. J. Larrimore. W. J. Larrimore's store, Tiff's of Pahokee is conducting the largest general merchandise store of Canal Point. And this store equally as well deserved and also is a success. This was his spirit and was his confidence in this country and his future that out of the ashes of his first venture there grew the today bigger and more prosperous business at Pahokee with about a year ago this

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THE FRENCH SHOPPE

All lines of retail merchandise are well represented in the towns bordering on Lake Okeechobee and all are shown in a prosperous front. Among the leaders of the retail establishments is the French Shoppe at Canal Point, owned by W. J. Marsh. This is the store of the younger generation of business men, who has to his credit a marked success. Mr. Marsh has been a resident of the region for the past nine years. Previous to coming to Canal Point was engaged in business at Okeechobee City. Foreseeing the growth of this section, he opened his store for business in January, 1924, and has built up a fine business. His stock includes all the latest that Dame Fashion has decreed—frocks ready to wear, hats, coats, shoes, lingerie, bathing apparel, hats, caps, shoes, etc., for the whole family and notions. With such a store at hand our people have little

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